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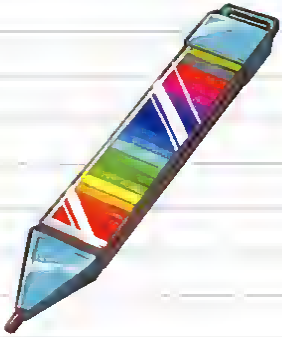

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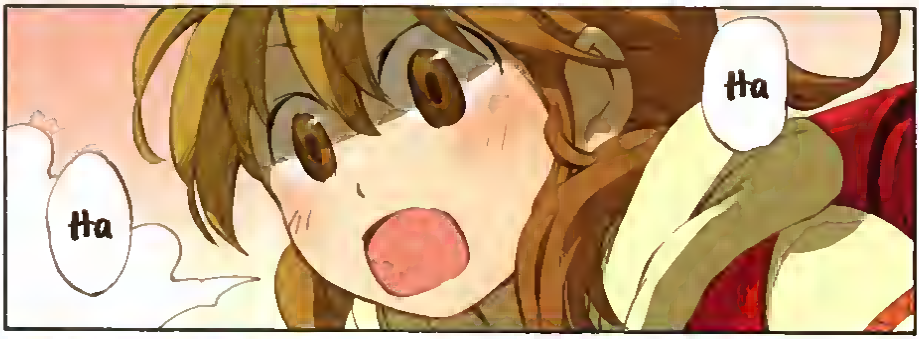
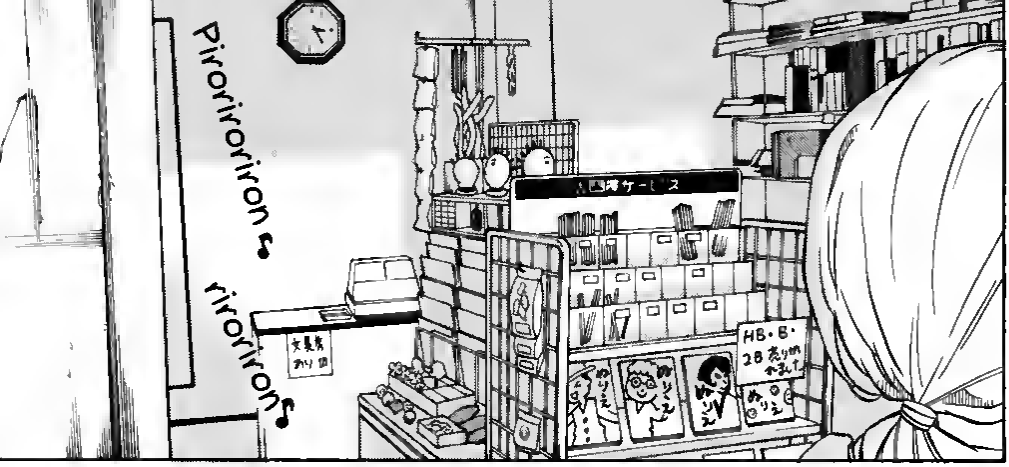

Ha
Ha

Narutomachi
Stationery

Chapter 1: Rocket Pencil
I'M HOME -!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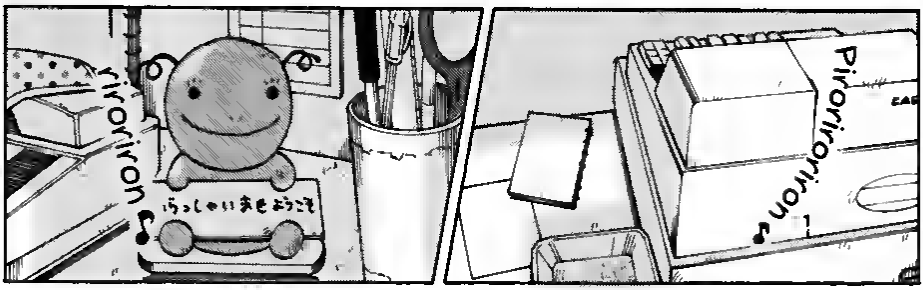
riroriron♪
Piroriroriron♪

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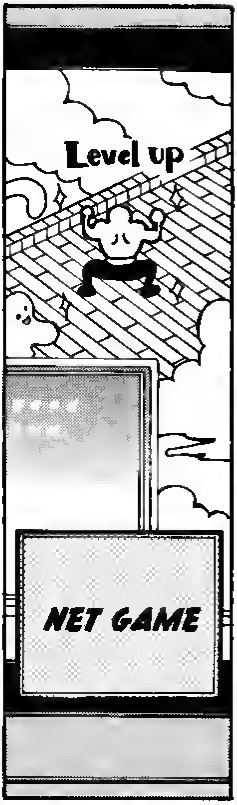
ガラッ
ビクッ
DAD!!

Then why is the computer this hot?
Stop stop! I'm just busy working!
When the bell rings, answer the door!!
And why is it the only thing lit up in the store?

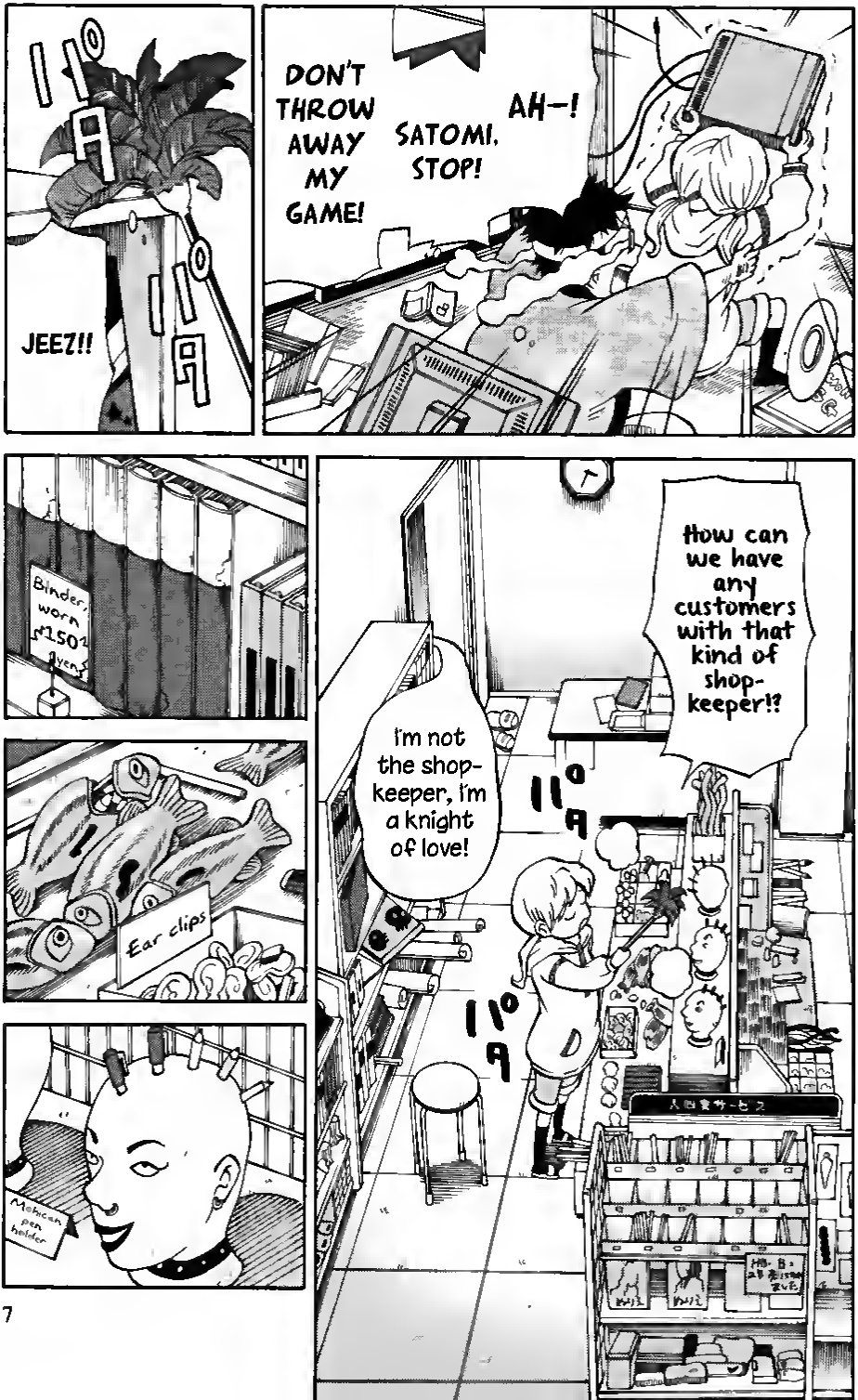
I♡NG
We-
Welcome home Satomi.

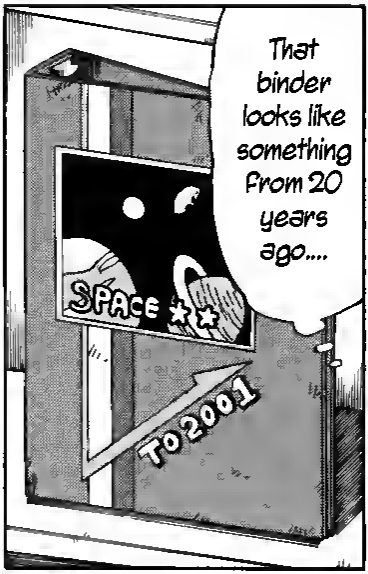
Ah, I just woke up just now.
Custo-mers?
How many people came today?


Level up
NET GAME

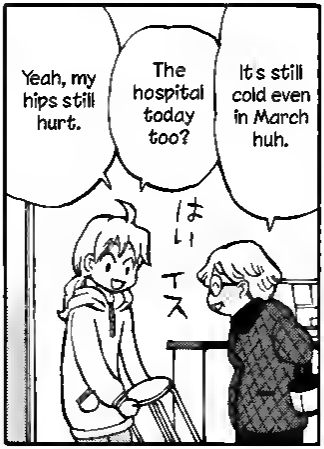
I had a meeting at the tavern today.
Dad, that is...
Oh, please refer to me as Worren.

I got a secret stone!!
Ohhh!

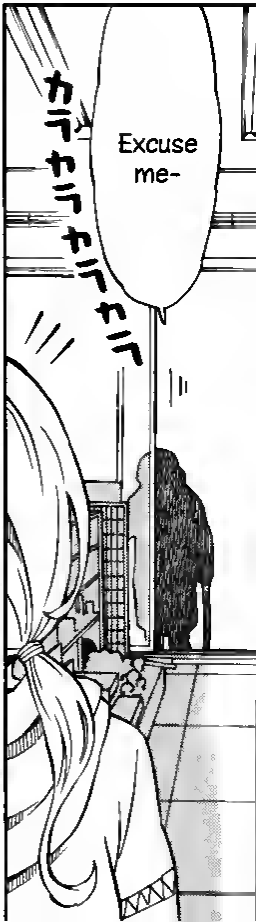

JEEZ!!
DON'T THROW AWAY MY GAME!
SATOMI, STOP!
AH—!
Binder, worn ¥150
Ear clips
Mexican pan holder
how can we have any customers with that kind of shop-keeper!?
i'm not the shop-keeper, i'm a knight of love!


That binder looks like something from 20 years ago....
SPACE
TO 2001

I can't even tell if these things are profitable
We have nothing but weird junk.
Satomi, Worren wants curry today
文具券


Yeah, my hips still hurt.
The hospital today too?
It's still cold even in March huh.
はいエス

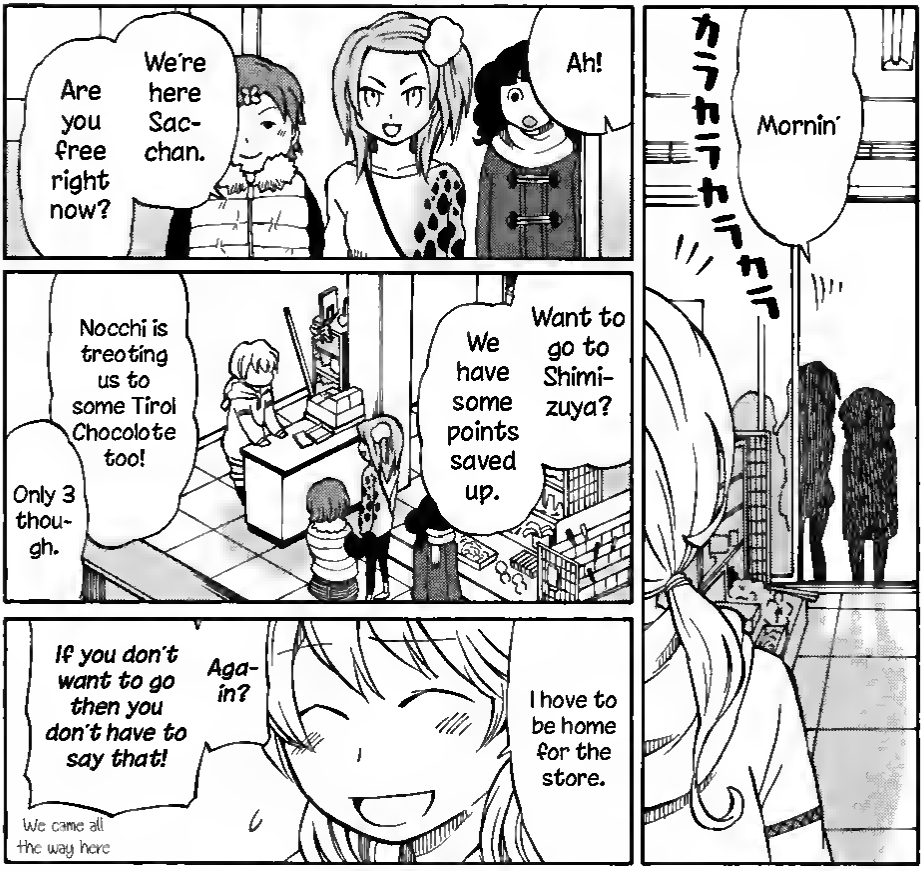
Ouu, it's cold outside.
Ah, Ayano Kouji-san, welcome!


カニカニカニカニ
Excuse me-

and then, the greengrocer looks kinda
Right? At the super marke
He took 15 onions with him

Yesterday, I dropped by Yama-san's house on my way home.
He has this dog, right? That dog is

カラカラカラ
ピシャン
I'll stop by again-
I should head home soon, my daughter-in-law can get quite scary.
Ara, it's already this late huh?
Does she look healthy?
Yeah. Just the usual neighborhood gossip again.
She's gonna live a long life.
Is that so?
We're not a freaking loungee-eee!!!
Did Ayano Kouji-san stop by again?
You're just gonna have to make do with water.
and what do you mean "Then..."?
Then can I have some money for ice-cream?


We're here Sac-chan.
Are you free right now?
Ah!
Mornin'
カラカラカラカラ
Want to go to Shimi-zuya?
We have some points saved up.
Nocchi is treating us to some Tirol Chocolote too!
Only 3 thou-gh.
I have to be home for the store.
Aga-in?
If you don't want to go then you don't have to say that!
We came all the way here
...Fine then.
I won't invite "Morutomochi-son" ogoin.
Let's go!
silence...

ブーン
...making dinner is too much trouble
丸木町文具
sorry...
sorry...
Mom
Hurry up...
and come back....

Uhm-
mm-
Hyaaaaaaaa
Ah,
yes,
plea-
se.
That aside,
can I take a
look inside?
It's
fine.
Sorry!
AH
SO-

This is great~
Ooohh~
……
じ…
First time I see a shop with this many screen tones
Ah, thank you.
"That's because Dad is an otaku."
I probably can't say that
This man... looks very young.
Ah, his hand is all black.
And he's unshaved
はっ
じーっ

Eh?
That thing around your neck...
A rocket color pencil, right?
Did I get caught staring?
Ah, sorry.
That is a rocket pencil right?
I used to have one too.
Oh, such nostal-gia
Why are you hiding it? Please let me see.
?
Shh!!
Ah, this is...

Seeing all the colors lined up kinda makes me want one too.
Please give it back.
This is great
It has plenty of colors, but don't be fooled.
Even if you take just one color out the whole thing falls apart.
ポキ!
You still have one of these, huh-
Replacing each color is a bit of a hassle, so in the end they never get used up.
A relative of the color changing pencil. They were launched in 1970. Each has about 20 colors. Their popularity quickly spread among children.
...I never used up mine back then
but I can probably do that now huh...

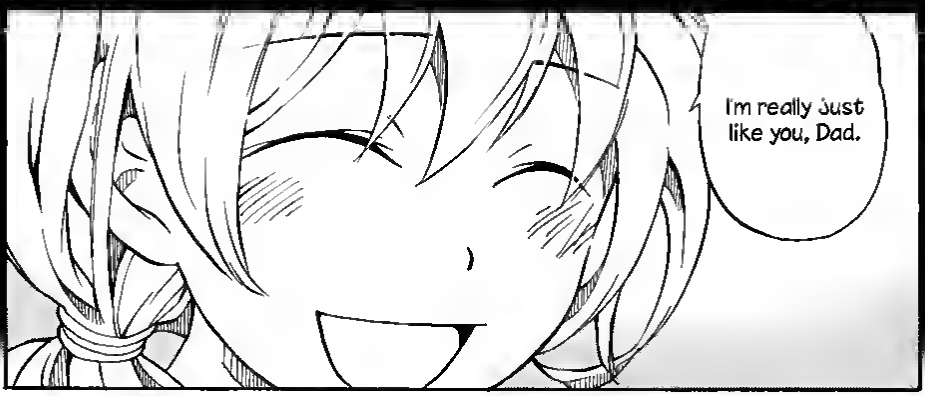
Thank you for the screen-tones.
Then I'll have to look some-where else.
Ah, is that so? Too bad...
Ah, we haven't stocked these in quite a while.
How much are you selling these for?
Thank you.
This one is mine
"This is great-"
Ah.
Thank you very much!

Welcome back Satomi. Did you buy me some Cola from the convenience store?♥
The non-diet one?
Are you still doing that?
Oh, are you still in your pajamas?
It's already past noon.
Ayano Kouji-san...

パルピ
Do you need anything?
No, I came to talk today.
Guess I didn't make it clear enough before.
My son has the specific estimations
He also has some connections with a demolitionist.
Separating the shop from the living area is pretty simple too.
They'll just take this 4 sided space.
Compared to the profit from the shop, this is not bad no matter how you compare it.
The garage, I mean...
Ayano Kouji-san

Thank you for your concern, but...
Again?
はぁ!
How many years do you think it has been?
If it's you alone... No, it has been 3 years since you two separated.
But that girl is still in elementary school!
Do you not know who she's waiting for?
Satomi.
Yes?
Did your friends come?

I like being at home better, so...
They went on and on about Tirol Chocolates and the candy store, you know? That sort of kids stuff.
Yeah.



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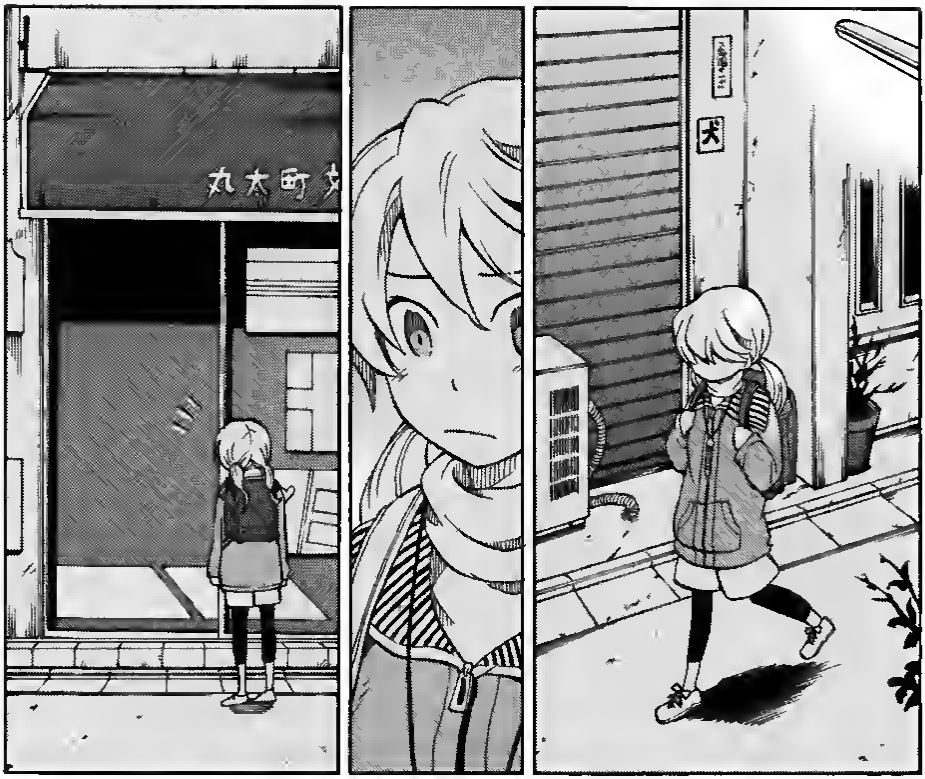
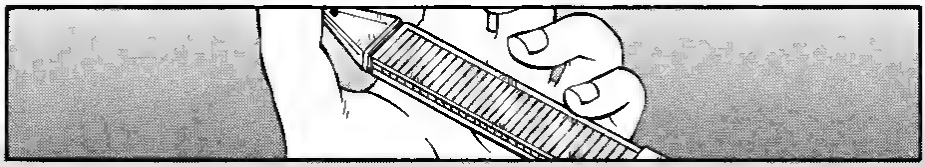
...who she's waiting for?

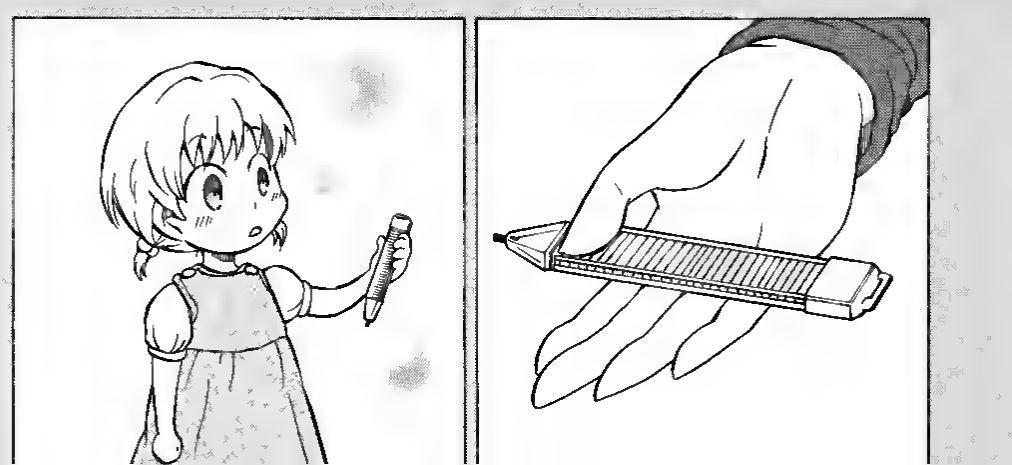

丸太町
犬
I'm home-
I'll just have to skip out again.
Can't be helped then.

Huh?
D-
dad?
Why are you home this late?
Please turn on the lights while you're here.
カチッ
Ah...
Uhm...
Satomi...
I was looking for some-thing...
Uhm-mm,
Just a bit...

Eh?
This store...
I'll shut it down and turn it into a garage.
I'll open up the store, and clean it too!
If you just wait then I'll definitely-
There will definitely be more customers!
Wait up!
Why did you say that?
Why?
That way we can turn in a profit.
Not even the one you're waiting for.
Nobody is going to come to this store, Satomi.

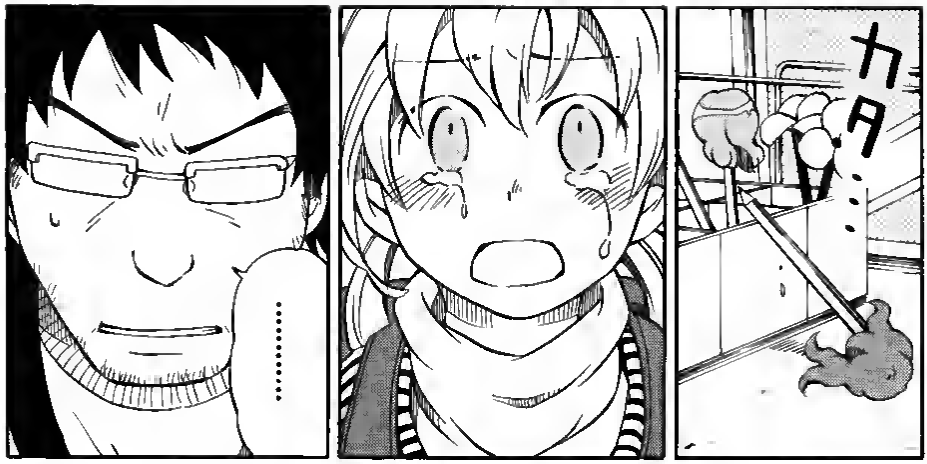
So it's probably time you throw that thing away too.
!!
ばっ
Please abandon it.
What do you mean "that thing"?





The great adventures of Shit-kun
No!
I will never abandon it!

ABAN-
DON
IT!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カタ…

I'm
begging
you...
ギシ…

Please, give up on it.
I'll probably be like this for all my life,
and she probably has already found a new life.
She won't come back.
ザアアアアア

ヒョ
サアアアア…
カミィ…
A new life.
I'll get to play.
I don't have to worry over after school.
…This is fine,
all of it.
ガサ
ガサ
Ahhah,
what am I going to do with you?

"Not even the one you're waiting for."
Always, even since before...
It's no good any-more
It snapped...
Ah...
ガタン
ビクッ
So-
ガラガラ
Sorry...

Thank god...
You're still open...
DELEEE
Screen-tones.
I need 5 number 61 delta and number 63 and 64, 2 each!!
Are-
Towel...
are you alright?
That aside!!

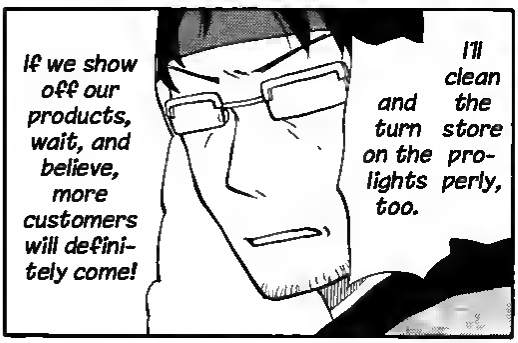
A shining example of retailers!!
His hands are wet...
You're a life saver.
Thank you!
ブンブ
ブンブ
Uhm, the bag...
I can meet the deadline with this.
I'm saved.
よかったぁぁぁ
It's fine, don't need it. I'm eco-friendly anyway.
DELEEE
Here
Sorry it's used.
I've looked for a new one everywhere,
but I can't find one no matter where I go.
Also...
You wanted this didn't you?
A gift.
Eh?
This is...

I don't...
...need this anymore.
Please take care of such an important item.
It's fine, I don't need this right now.
And I know you're holding on to it for me.

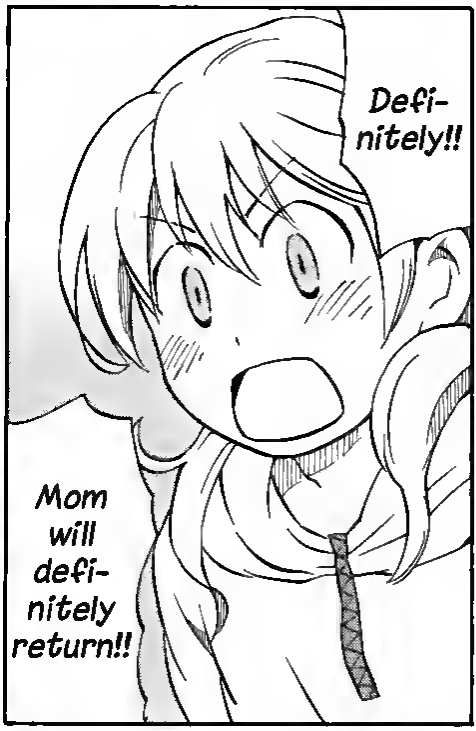
I'll come to buy some tones again.
Crap! I have to get home soon.
ポン
You don't have to cry, I get it.
That alone is enough.
Next time, you have to smile, okay?
たたたたた

What...
One came!
I waited and a customer came!
What? Don't tell me...

ガラッ
DAD!


I'll clean the store properly, and turn on the lights too.
If we show off our products, wait, and believe, more customers will definitely come!

If you don't want to wait, dad...
I'll clean the shop and show off the products in your place too. It'll definitely bring in more customers!!
Then I'll wait for you.


Definitely!!
Mom will definitely return!!

...I WANT YOU TO HAND THE SHOP OVER TO ME!!
THAT'S WHY...
I thought I told you to abandon it.
I don't know who influenced you, but....
That's wrong!!
That person...
You're only seeing through sweet memories.
Clinging on to something like that...
...won't do you any good you know.

Don't say it won't do any good!!
That's wrong!!
Leave working to the adults.
Kids should play.
I... was happy today
for the first time. So please let me take over the store!
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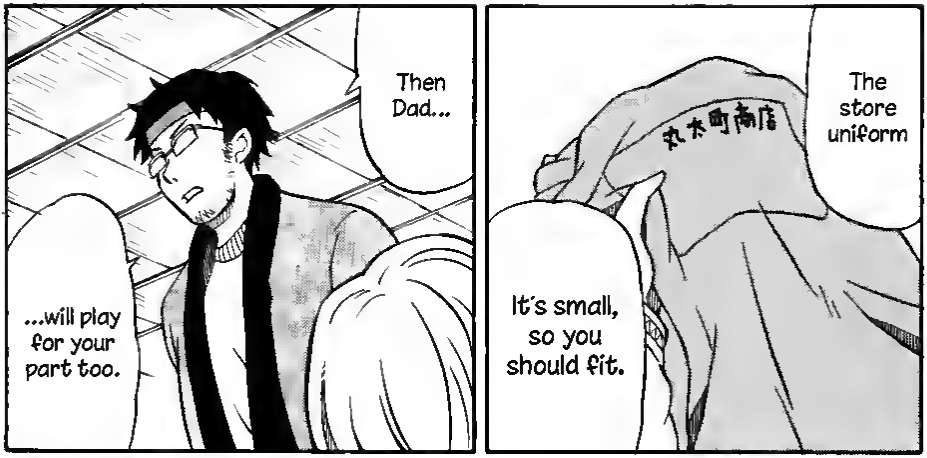
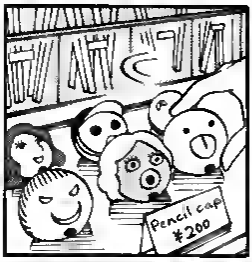
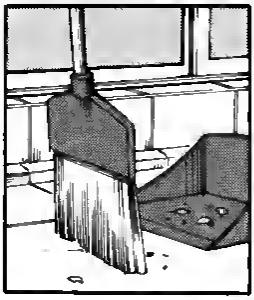
ナデナデ


Then Dad...
...will play for your part too.
The store uniform
丸木町商店
It's small, so you should fit.


Pencil cap ¥200



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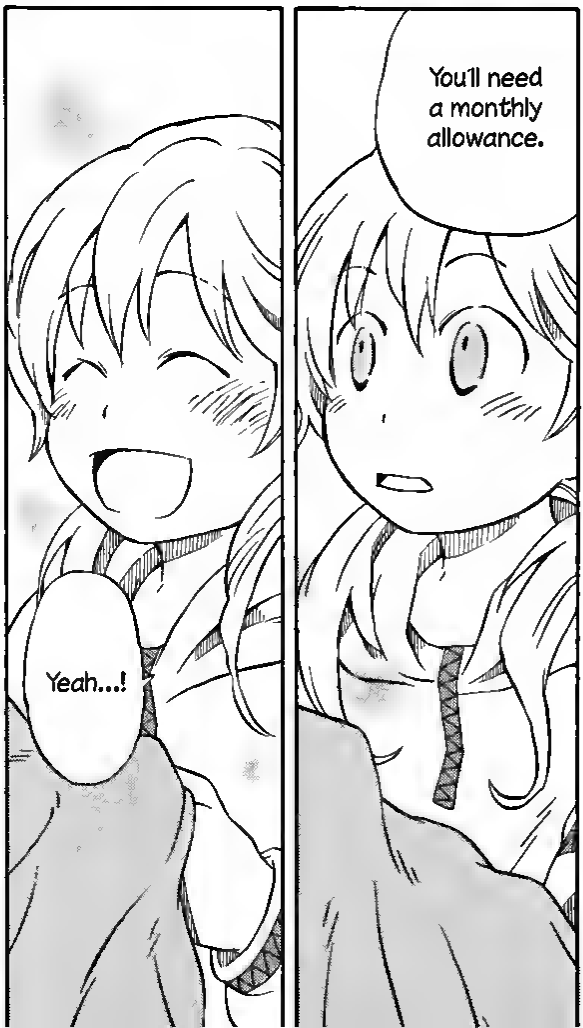
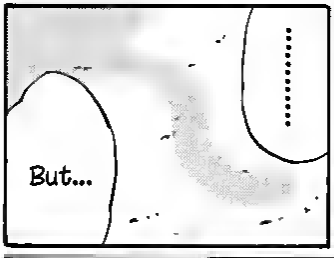

You'll need a monthly allowance.
Yeah...!

Marutomachi Stationery
丸太町文具
Yosh!
女具券
使えます
丸太町文具
四菱鉛筆


But...
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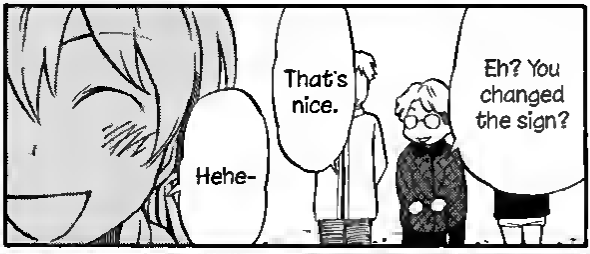
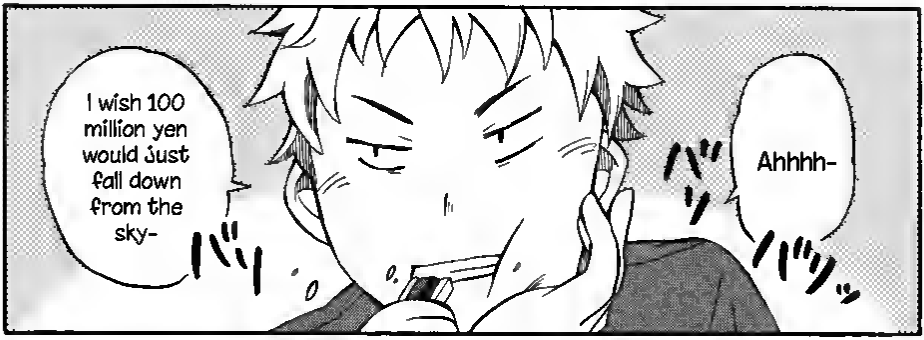

Hehe-
That's nice.
Eh? You changed the sign?

Please don't look.
Did Dad make Mom wear this too?
...those clothes...

Chapter 2: Playing Pretend

*Ebisu; god of fishing and commerce is one of the Seven Deities of Fortune



When that happens, I'll give you 20 thousand, Satomi.
I'll even settle for 1 million, but that's as low as I'll go.
10 million would be fine too.

Ebisu-kun, your feet...
I did come by to check up on you since we're classmates after all!
Please hear me out, Satomi!
Assets! It's all about assets! The survival of these small retailers...
ばたばた

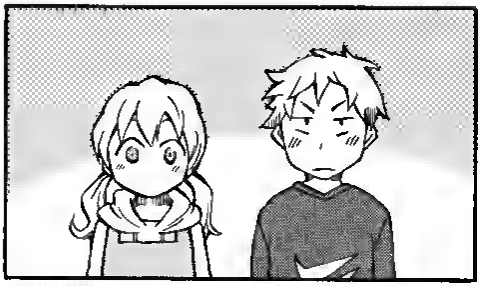
I was thinking about giving you 100 thousand, honest! Give it back!
AH!
Alright, you are now forbidden from eating snacks.
I don't need it, that kind of fictional money.
EBIS

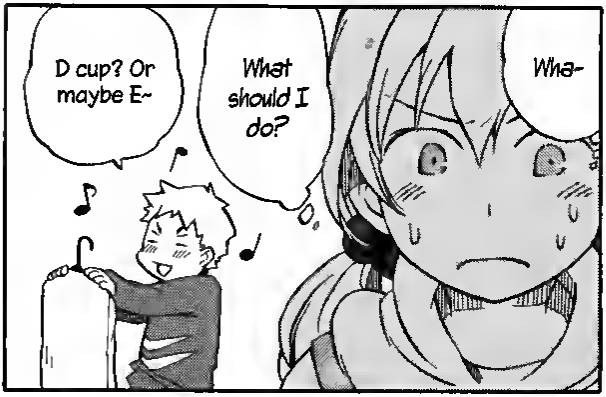
Don't wanna. Too cold outside today.
Stop being irresponsible and go deliver them.
Crap, mom's gonna be mad.
Cheap! Fast! Clean!
EBIS
Cleaning
がし
Let's go buy some lottery!
That's it, Satomi!
ふぅ
The store in front of the station is probably still open!
Let's buy them together.
Eh?
Let's go!

What's wrong? Let's goooooo!!
Not going.
Why!?
Cu-
Custo-mers
I don't know...
...if one might come...
No way one will come!!
To this dying store?
DON'T SAY "DYING"!!
Excuse meee-

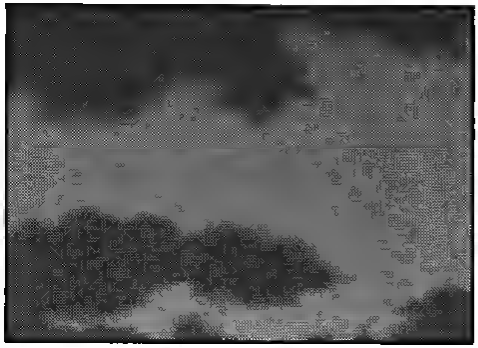
Her breasts are huge!
しゃ
Yea.
きっ
Welcome. What are you looking for?
Are you still open?
Ah...
Is there an adult around?
Ah, she's more or less the manager around here.
Even though she's small!
Y-
Yeah,
that's me!!
いろいろ…
Is that so?
Even though you're so young. How admirable.
Then, Miss Manager, do you have any notes for college students?

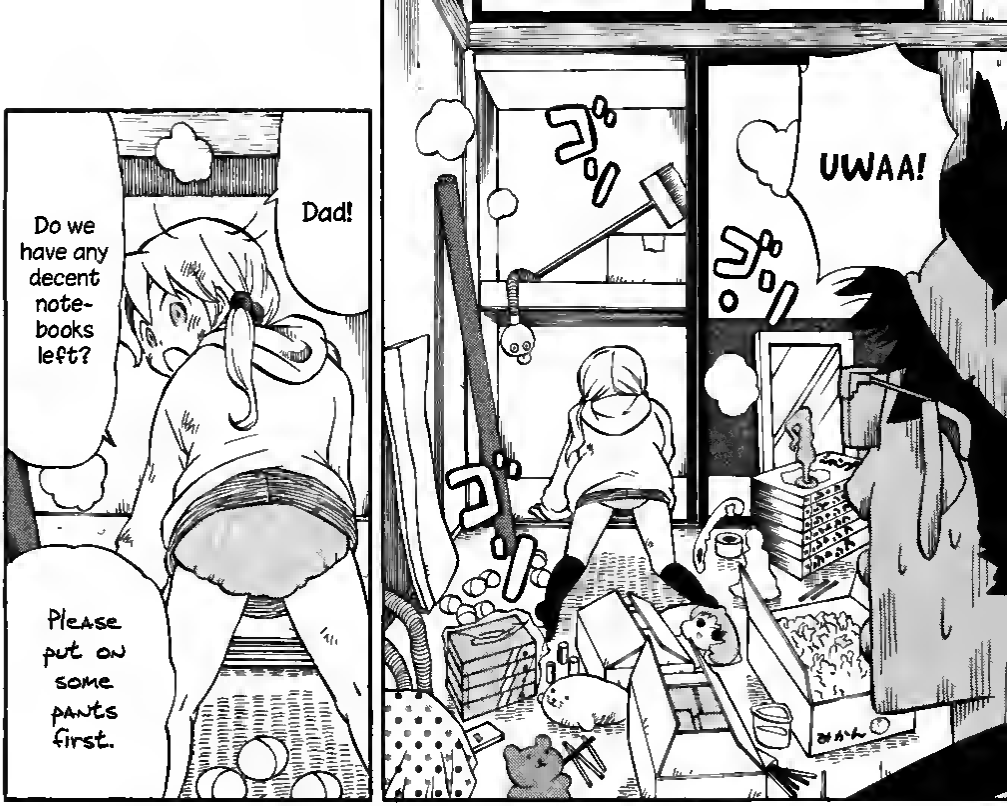
These are...
Uhmm...
There's nothing but these...
Toast Note
with smell
10 USAGE NOTE
THE CURSED DIARY
So there are these types of notes too!
Amazing
Ah ha ha ha ha
So funny, first time I've seen these.
Really?
Sorry, I'll definitely stock some more next time.
But these are no good. I can't use these in college.
I do want them though

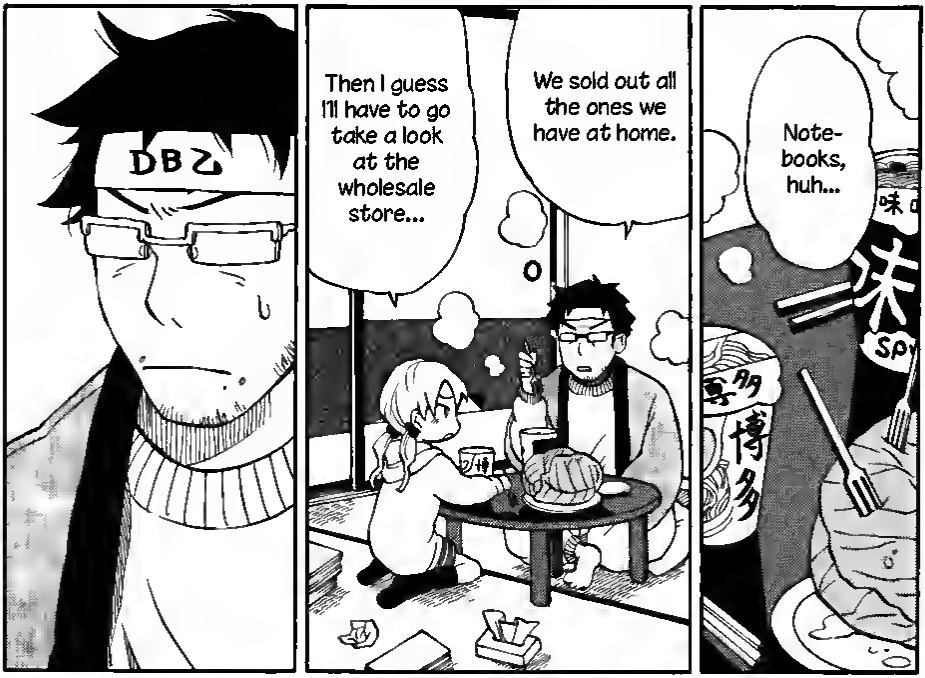




"I'll definitely stock some more next time"

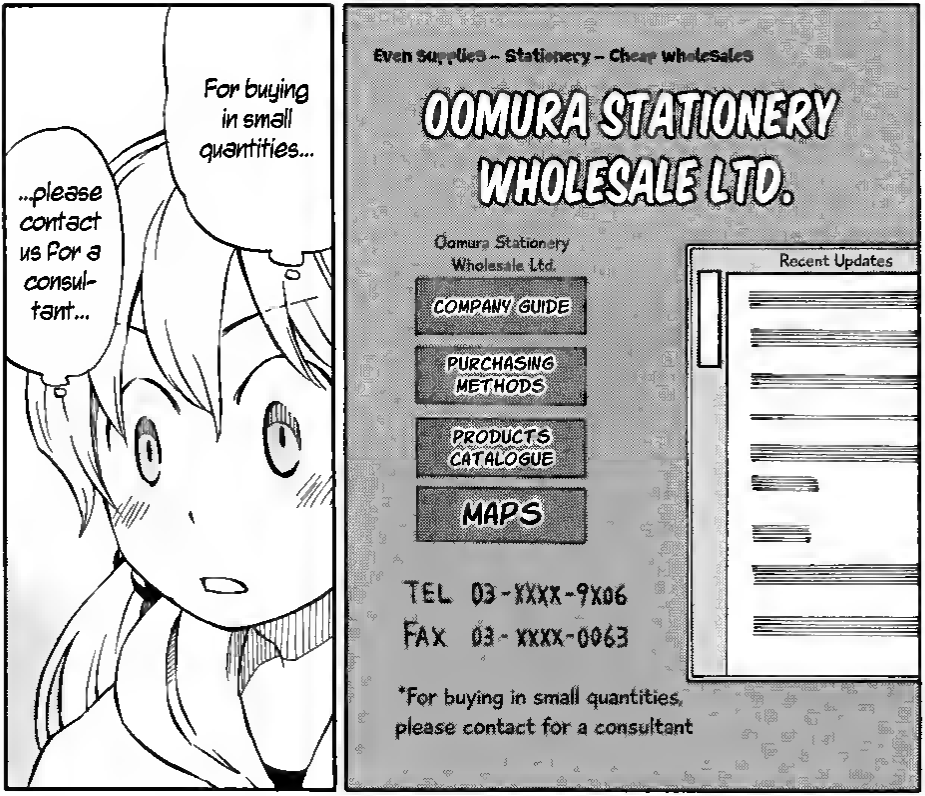



Dad!
Do we have any decent note-books left?
Please put on some pants first.
UWAA!
ゴゴゴ
みかん


DBZ
Then I guess I'll have to go take a look at the wholesale store...
We sold out all the ones we have at home.
Note-books, huh...
味
博多

Guess I'll have to find a new wholesaler.
But me....?
I don't have any connections or information...
Then I'll head back to bed.
I know last year...
he had a big fight with the wholesale store manager.
Ah, he left the ramen broth behind
味
Information....
This is probably fine.
It's a necessity after all.
いいえ
You're still 10 years too early
He forbids me from using his computer
ゴー

Windoze Internet Xpress
Bookmarks
Ero ♥ Moe store
Amozon ero ero forum
Doujin search
Anime YOUTUVE
Ero♥Moe store other
Yuri search
Shota search♥Girls (male)
PuriKyuo Doujin search
Ota MI x IV
3channel
3channel 20 y/o
3channel Morning girls
WHAT'S THIS?
Ummm, the internet....
Ohhh-
チャラララーン♪
It's on.
I don't even want to know...
Peeping photos
Isn't this illegal!?
Emulators
What is this? It's not secret at all!
Secret Ero folder
Stationery wholesaler * town
Google検索
Uhm-mmm
This should be good.
No, I shouldn't look into unnecessary places.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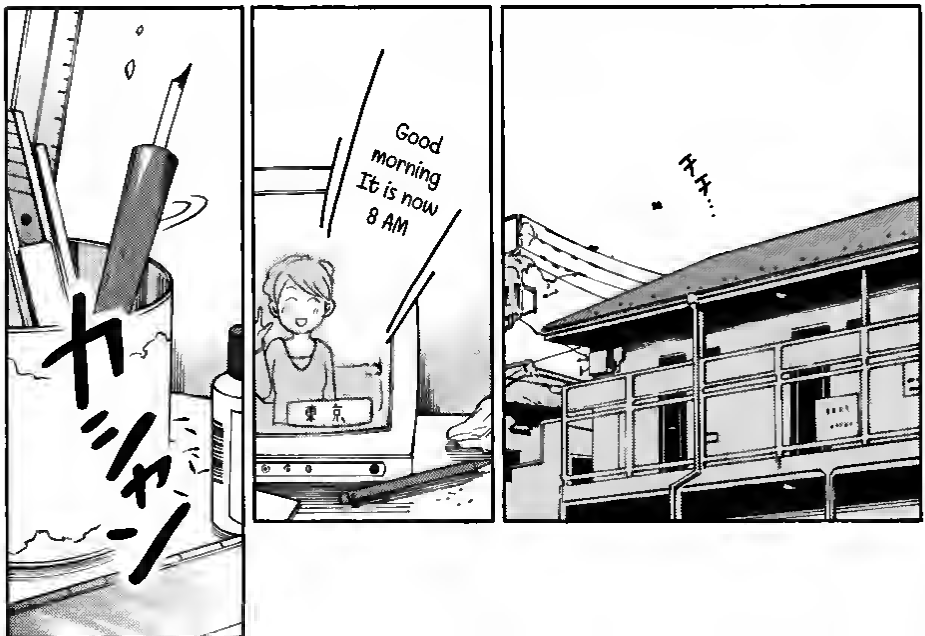
カシャーン
Good morning It is now 8 AM
ん…

Ugggh-hhhhh...
It's already this late huh?
I should go buy something to eat.
ふあ...
I'm always so serious about my job....
...but why am I always only barely meeting deadlines?
カンカンカン

Would be nice if I could also take it easy.
Ah, the moving service.
On a weekday... Is it a student?
引越
Good morning!
I'm Yamano, I just moved in to room 102!
w-welcome. Uhmmm... 201...
Ah,
hasn't talked to people in a while
Sorry for all the noise.
We're just about done.
Wh-
what's wrong?

There's something on your head.
Eh
Lower your head.
Ah, wai...
Here, got it.
I'll bring some snacks, so please look forward to it!
Then I'll come by to say hello again sometime.
Okay!
We're done moving
What is this?
A sticker? Label?
It has some kind of dotted pattern
ATONE-CAST!
And it looks really nice too

……
Her breasts are huge.
たたっ
Uwaa...
There are a ton of stores here.
Turn right around this corner.

(有)大村文具卸
オオムラ
It's here?
Uhm...
Ex-
excuse me...
x29

Ah, umm,
I wish to speak to the store manager.
Ah, sorry,
we don't do retails.
Are you an employee's daughter?
No, uhmmm, I am...
from Maruto-machi Statio-nery.
I found your wholesale store on the in-ternet.
You don't have an adult with you?
Ah, yes.
I'm the repre-senta-tive.
Hmm-mm?
So some-one at your store sent a kid over.
Seems like our store is being looked down on as well...

I'd like to buy some notes wholesole.
I am a shap manager toa.
I'm not looking down on you ot oll!
Ah.
Maybe you're playing pretend as a store manager?

Can you come by at another time?
I can't put these products aside to play pretend with you.
I'm sorry, but we're a business.
カリ
カリ
カリ
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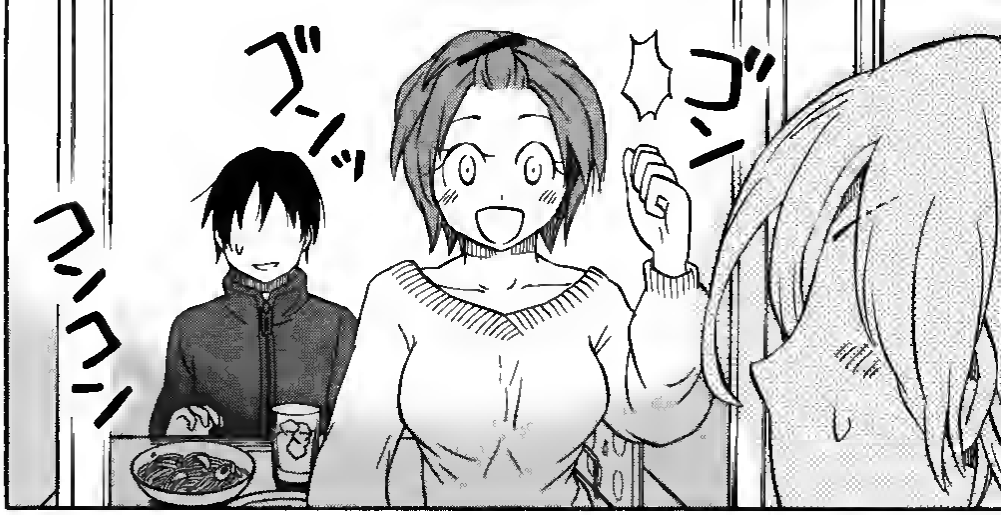
カリ
Please sell me....
some normal college note-books.
I'm not playing pretend.
Please go home.

Okay, okay... I get it. It's my fault.
Is 2 stacks enough?
Please go somewhere else to play next time.

"You're playing pretend as a store manager?"
"You don't have an adult with you?"
"Please go somewhere else to play next time."
Please stop pushing for a moment.
NO CAN DO!
Really, I'm fine!
Saizeriya

I'm really fine.
Saizeriyi
サイゼリー
No can do. These are your eating habits we're talking about!
It's my treat, so eat as much as you want.
How did you come up with that? I'm fine!
さっ

Welcome-
KNOCK
knock
KNOCK
?!
Ah
I should head home...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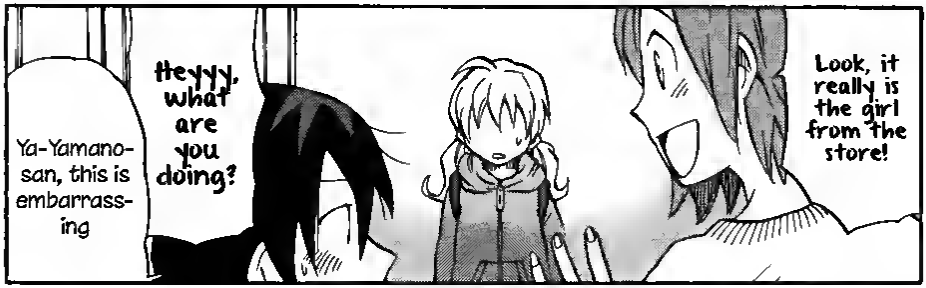
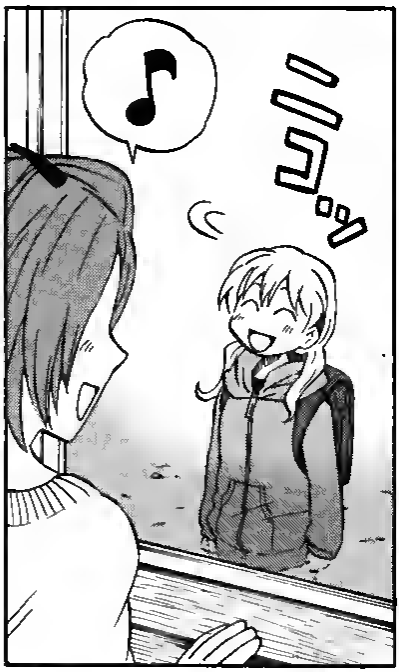

Look, it really is the girl from the store!
Heyyy, what are you doing?
Ya-Yamano-san, this is embarrass-ing


ニヨ〜ン

Come in, I'll treat you to some-thing-
Come inside.

Wonder if she's doing okay.
Oh yeah, I haven't been there in a while.
カラン
That's because you looked really suspicious!!
たっ
Wha... She left.

Wel-
come
home.
Did you
make
this,
Dad?
♪
♪
Today we're
having your
favorite,
Satomi.
Mackerel!♥
DON'T
TOUCH
IT!!
What's
this?

Ebisu gave them to me.
Then don't put them on the dining table.
This curse...
These are Shockman Seal 5000 yen each Premier Yu-gi-oh cards!
カ"ﾀ
カ"ﾀ
DBZ
but to give me such rare cards just for that
Just how lucky is that kid?
I can't help but be moved after receiving these rare cards,
He told me to make you a meal every once in a while.
I'll do it if you swear
Really?
Ebisu-kun...

Elementary ↑ school kid level

AH! WHAT DID YOU STICK ON MY FORE-HEAD?
A pre-sent from me.
It's the real deal.
If it's so impor-tant,
why don't you take care of it?
It's...

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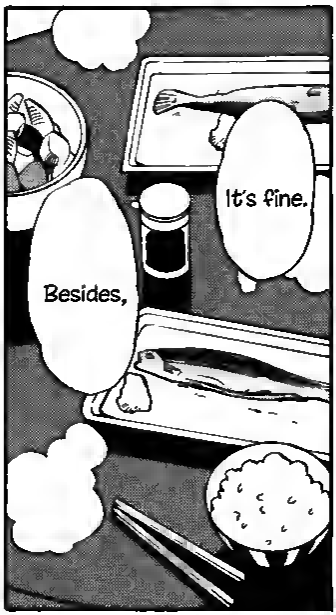
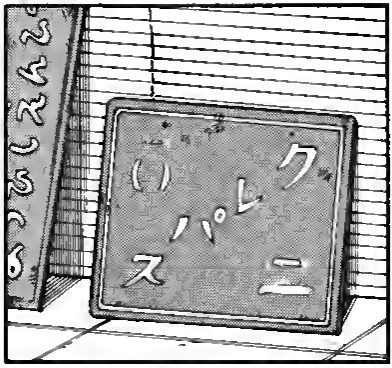

It's fine.
Besides,

Did you get one?
The paper in the back also has a fortune on it.

Come come cat
Many custo-mers
Pro-fits UP
PROSPE-RITY

Drink lots of milk so you can grow up too!
In more ways than one
Is that so? Then let's eat!
What do you mean "in more ways than one"?

somehow
I feel really hungry.


クレーパーズ

It's time to say goodbye

I'm not playing pretend!

The streets were dark all throughout town.
It was a freezing New Year's Eve.
I want to get home and sleep.
I already have enough.
Sorry, I don't need one.
Notes...
Would anyone buy some notes?
At least I can draw some.
Mackerel...
So cold...
I want some mackerel...
Ugh, I can't sell any...

Suddenly, something happened...
パァ…
The little girl drew a picture on the note she was supposed to sell
さんま
To ease her hunger...
From inside the note...
A grilled mackerel appeared!
Maruto-machi-san,
Sacchan, Sacchan.

Chapter 3: The little girl who sells notebooks
人生
Maruto-machi-san, wake up!
We're in the middle of class!
Please... buy a notebook...

おーい
ぴぴーっ
I'm nat stupid! I'm just nat getting enaugh sleep.
That's nat what I'm talking abaut! Thase nate-boaks...

Are you stupid?

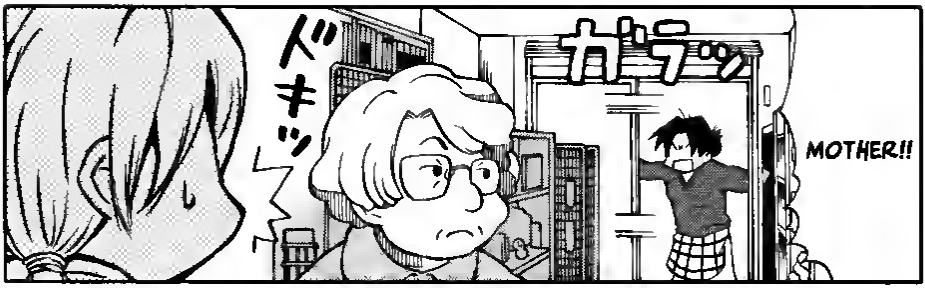
"Please go some-where else to play next time."
"You're playing pretend as a store mana-ger?"

Use yaur head, Ms. Stare Manager! Your head!
This is fruit-less. Just ga to a dif-ferent whale-saler.

Even if yau can sell all of them, that daesn't mean she'll da business with yau.

Then buy a notebook, Ebisu-kun.
150 yen
Are you even listening to me!?
Oh
……
しーん…
ちゃりん
Yaur brother...
I heard he's starting schaal next year.
Hah, my God...
Speaking af which Ebisu-kun...
Glad ta do business with yau!!
This is enough right? Here.

Note-books?
Is she gonna be fine?
ありがとー!
Glad to do business with you!!
Whatever, 1 more notebook.
Camps
Why?
Do you have anything even smaller?
So in return, I want to teach her that she's getting older too. With a small notebook.
Lately, my daughter-in-law has started giving me some attitude because Im old.
My eyes are starting to go bad. I can't write anymore.
Ummm...
This is pretty small.

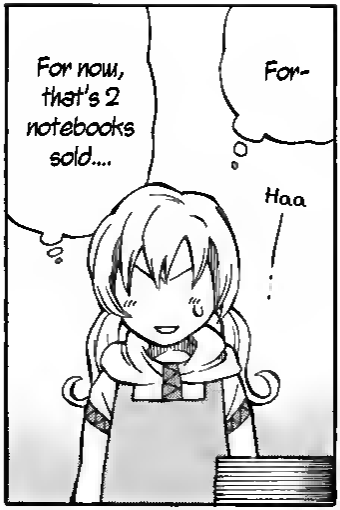

ドキッ
ガラッ
MOTHER!!

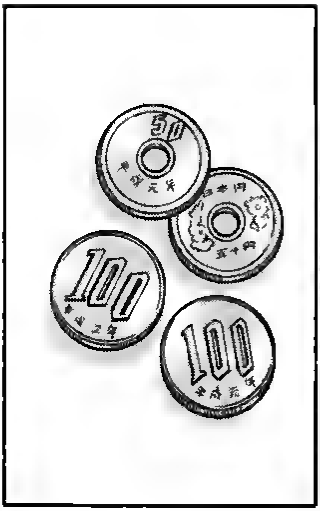
Unfortunately, I did come here to buy something today.
You're not even buying anything. You're just bothering Satomi-chan.

What does the old hag want with me?
Says the mountain witch.

If this is a De*th-note then your name will be the first one on it!
Calm down
With this then even you might manage to do household accounting.

See?
Ara, a note-book?
One each, for you and me.


For-
For now, that's 2 notebooks sold....
Haa!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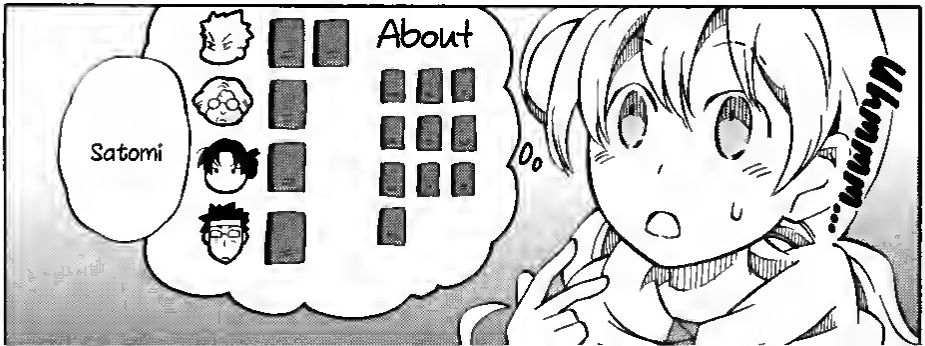
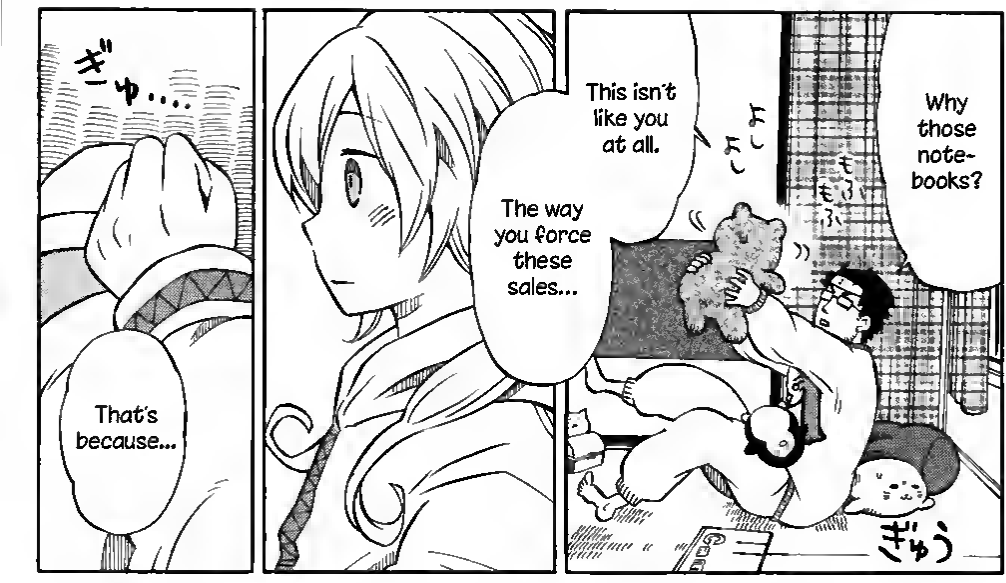
ぎゃあ
ぎゃあ

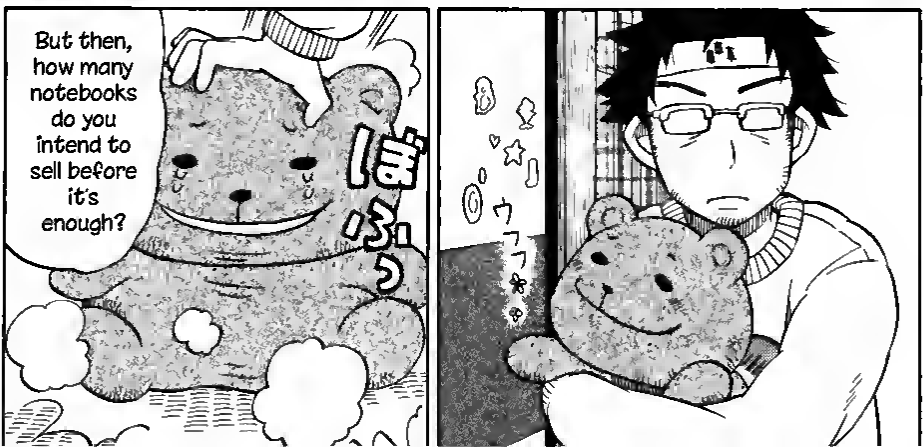
I could use a new strategy memo for my games.
I do.
Hm? You use a notebook too Dad?

these are 150 yen right?
Hey,


Satomi
About
Uhmmm...


ギュ……
That's because...
This isn't like you at all.
The way you force these sales...
Why those note-books?
もふもふ
ぎゅう

...isn't a game.
...what I'm doing...


But then, how many notebooks do you intend to sell before it's enough?
ぼふっ
ウフフ♪

Ten.
Ahhh, it's gonna take me half a year to sell that much.
ポーン
It may seem pitiful, but that's the reality...
How about we lower the price?
Maybe about 10 yen per notebook, and then load them up on a wagon then maybe someone will...
Half a year...
NO WAY!!
I will definitely move forward from here,
I don't mean it like that!
I will definitely not lower the price!!
I'm gonna go watch the counter.
She's pretty stubborn
Wonder who she takes after?

ほ"
Sunday Hell has begun
ほ"
It is now 4 PM, time for today's news.
Next up is a request from RN Eringi-san from Saitama, "Shooting Stars."
Liar.
"Then I'll stop by later."

A customer says they're coming?
You're not coming-
Liar!
Liar-
ユラ
ユラ
There's no-thing...
...anyone can do but wait.
That goes for us too.
Yeah...
Then it's not their fault.
Then I'll continue with my anime.
Okay.
……
カー

X?
For myself
"Next time, you have to smile, okay?"
ブンッ
ブンッ

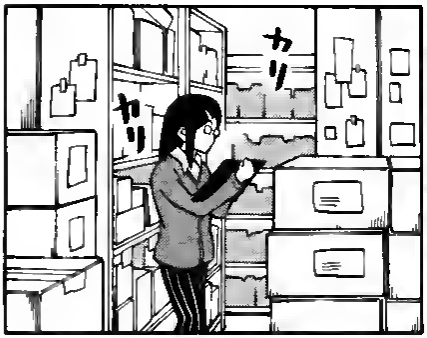
Why...
...can't I get it out of my head?
Excuse me.

Good day.
Sorry about recently. Did I surprise you?
I can only drop by every once in while, so...
あはは
Ah...
Ah!
Thank God~ I came again.
What are you looking for?
Note-books!
I'm glad I get to meet you again!
Here they are.
You said you were gonna stock more,
didn't you?

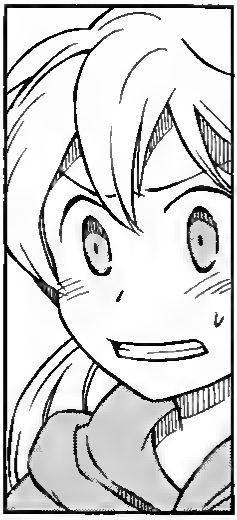
English (Conversational), French A
Ethnology, Literary Discussion, English II,
Then,
Ehh,
every note is a different color.
Industrial Culture, so in total...
Media Discussion, Psychology,
PLEASE!
HERE, 10 IN TOTAL
Not enough
I'm saved...
For myself - Over
Ah, yes...
10 notes.

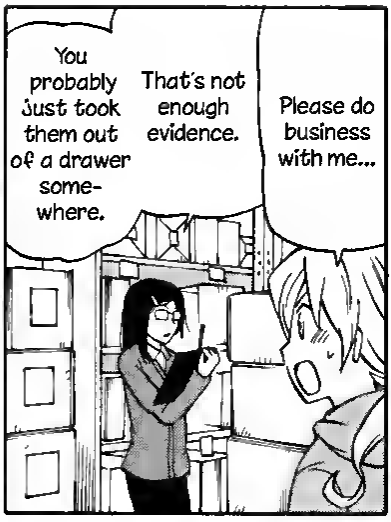
What are you talking about?
I made a promise didn't I?
Lectures start tomorrow.
I got really worried since I didn't have any notebooks.
Then...you can just buy them somewhere else..
10 notes is 1500 yen.
Thank you♥
ガサッ

Fufufu
no, nothing.
What? What's wrong?
Fufu.
Oh, nothing~
Ehehe
Come on-
Fufufu
Fufu
Then why did you laugh just now?
Ehhh?


カリ
カリ

Good morning.
You're still not finished with your game?
I thought I told you not to come again?
The notes...
I sold all of them at the established price.
This is the proof... 2250 yen.
I sold them all in one week!
So what?





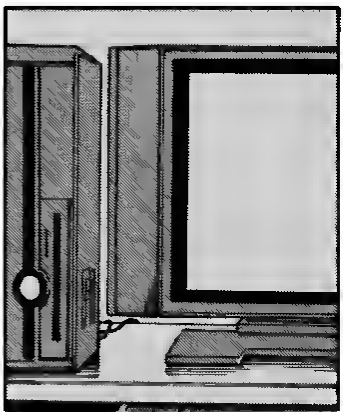
No. 61 Thin No. 63 Thick

No, the tones are definitely inside the store!
Is it really not there? Please check carefully!
Tones: Are produced to be used in the making of mangas. You use it to seal the inside of patterns.
like this

You're a mangaka! You need to take care of these things ahead of time!
And you need to know everything you need too!
Why don't you do it digitally?
I have 5 hours left until my deadline!!
I have no tones for hair!!
Jeez, it's been 30 minutes!
DELETE
DELETE

Can you wait for a bit?
Re-cords, re-cords...
Have your bike on standby
Eh, ah, sure.
Hurry up

As far as I know...



Thot girl?
Where is she now?
Crop, only Sotomi knows where they are.

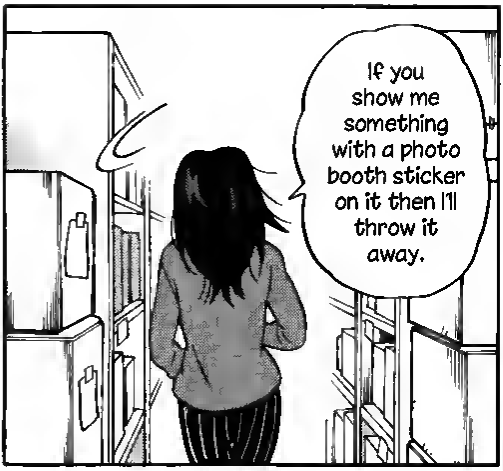
I get it, you don't have to shout.
I sold them and got paid fair and square!
I'm not pretending!!
That's wrong!!
Why do you insist on that?
But you're still a kid.
Do you think you can get your way just by shouting?
For example, you have to write a registration for starting a business and send it to a government office.
Because you're still a kid.
Understand?

You say you want to do serious business, then first you have to make an appointment, and show a business card.
What about time for school?
You will need employees.
You will need to do accounting for every single item you sell, everyday.
You will need a base fund.
Business is for adults like me!
Can you talk with 3 people at once? Sacrifice everything you have? Face any hardship?
What you're doing is still just a game.
Don't take business lightly.
Ah...
I'm not...
I said...
She's not playing around!

This girl is a great shop-keeper.
Without her, I'd be in great trouble!
Long time no s...
ARE YOU OKAY!?
Yo.
A-anemia...
Tones... hurry up and sell me some tones.
T-Tones!? Don't you already have them?

Deadline is close so he didn't sleep ↑

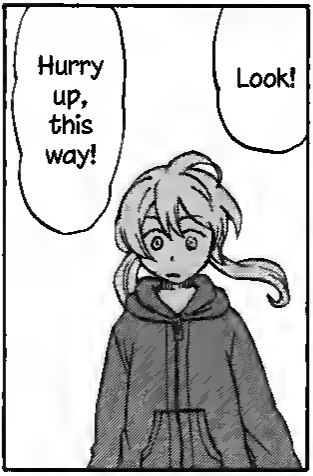
You never came, and then...
No!
It definitely won't, so please!!
What?
But if it does go bankrupt...
Then I...
I'm sorry, we're in the middle of something important...
It's my fault if your store goes bankrupt...
Yes...
The notebooks,
did you really sell them all by yourself?
Can you stand?
If I rest for a bit..
Then here.
Here...?
My business card.
If someone offers you one, stand upright and receive it with both hands.


If you show me something with a photo booth sticker on it then I'll throw it away.

Next time, get a proper appointment.
And bring your own business card.

Ah, wait!
Eh!
LET'S GO, SAC-CHAN!
ALRIGHT. I'M ALL HEALED UP!

Yes.
Yeah...


Look!
Hurry up, this way!

Dom
Ura

"This girl is a great shopkeeper."

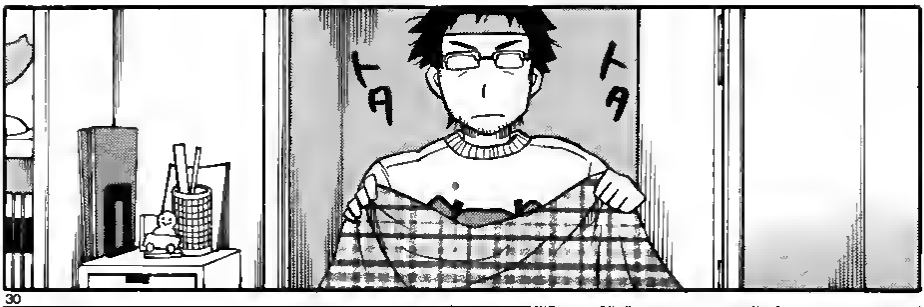
What kind of manga do you draw?
Is that woman an acquaintance of yours?
I'm so happy you came.
His back is so warm...
There's so many things I want to say
Did you watch Ame-talk yesterday?
Elementary school students shouldn't be watching Ame-talk you know.
They should sleep

Heeey Satomi,
it's about time to close down the shop.
ペタ
ペタ

10:0
13 4 25

Gonango wishes to notify you that it is now 10PM

ボソ
ボソ…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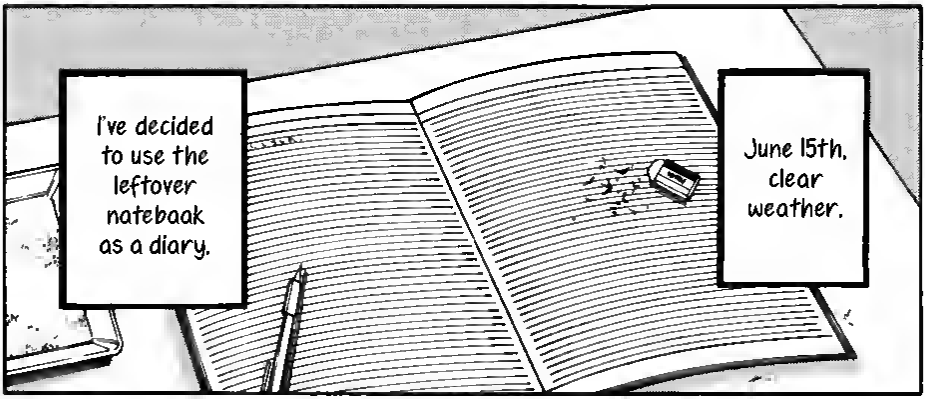
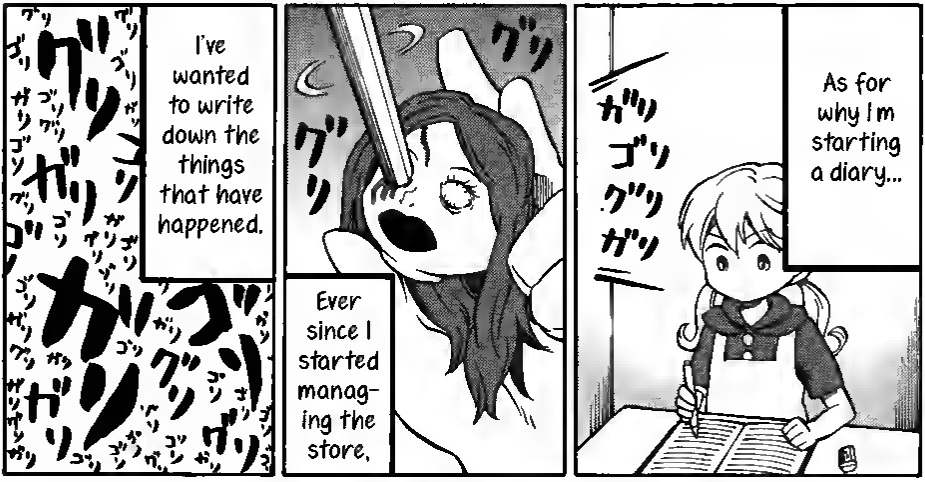
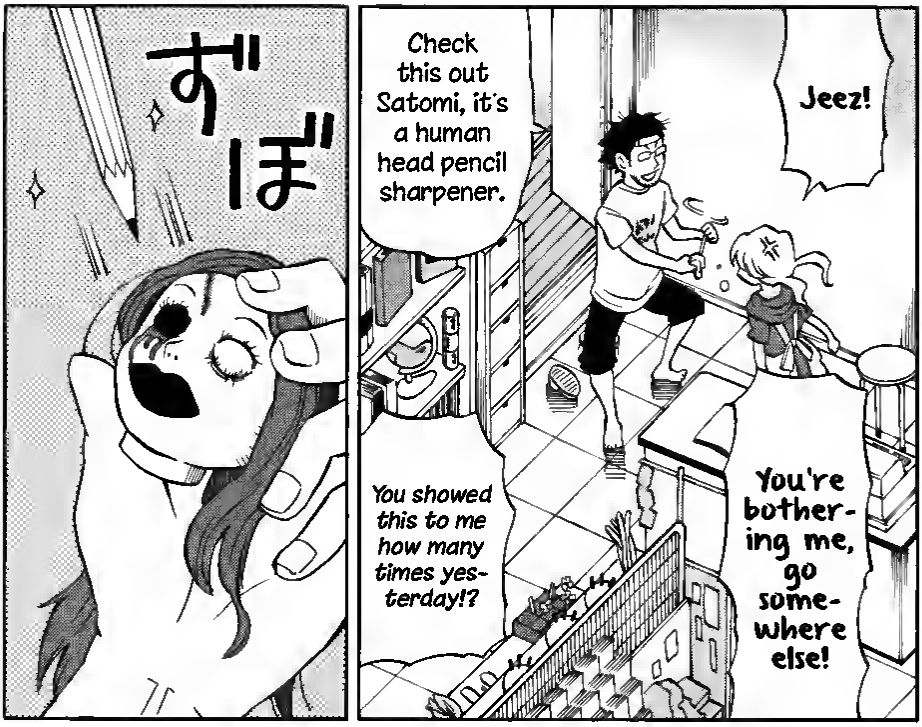
Thanks for your hard work.

Chapter 4: Diary
How many days has it been?
Oo
We don't exchange money
"


June 15th, clear weather.
I've decided to use the leftover natebaak as a diary.


As for why I'm starting a diary...
ガリゴリグリガッ
グリ
グリ
Ever since I started managing the store,
I've wanted to write down the things that have happened.

My dad is a NEET.
ガリ
ゴリ
Heeey Satomi, look, look~!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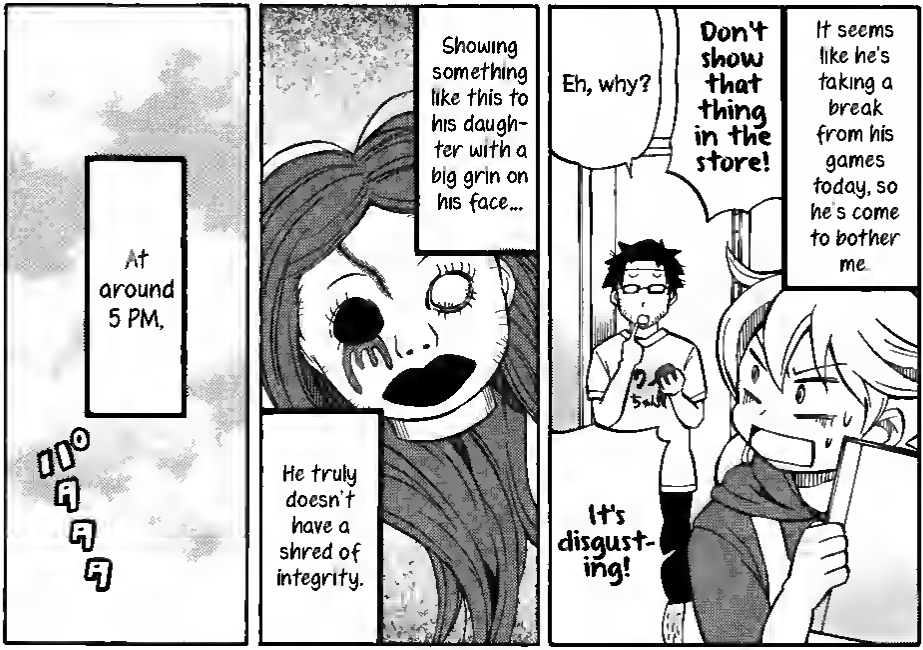
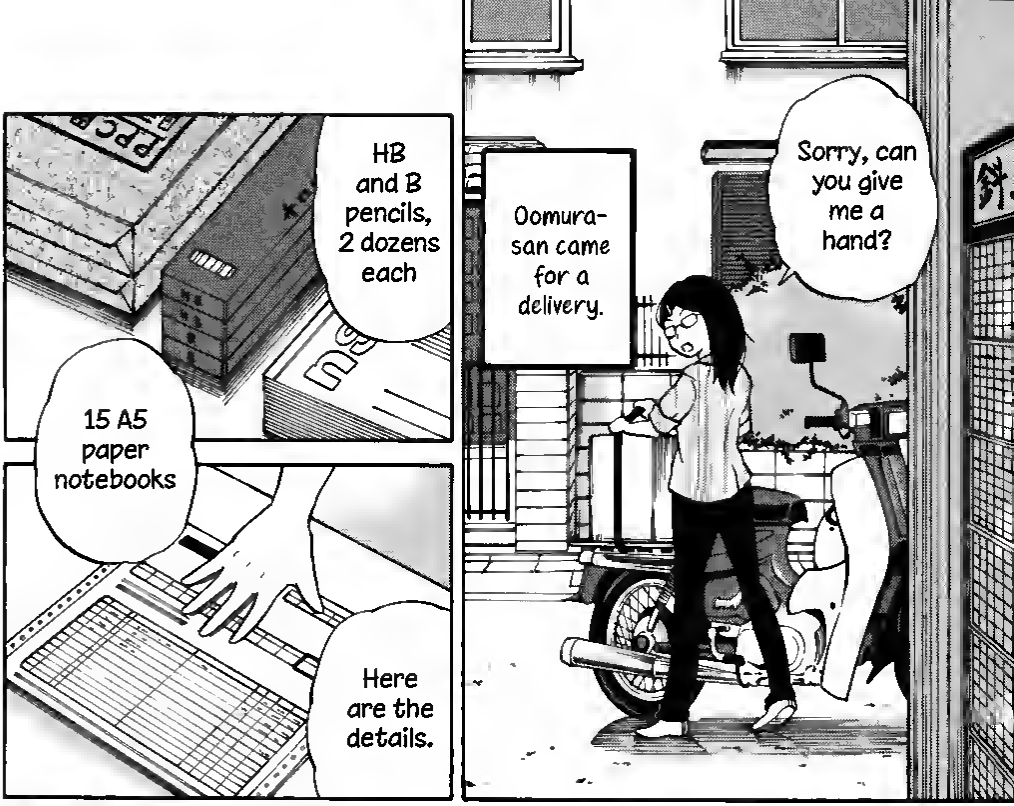
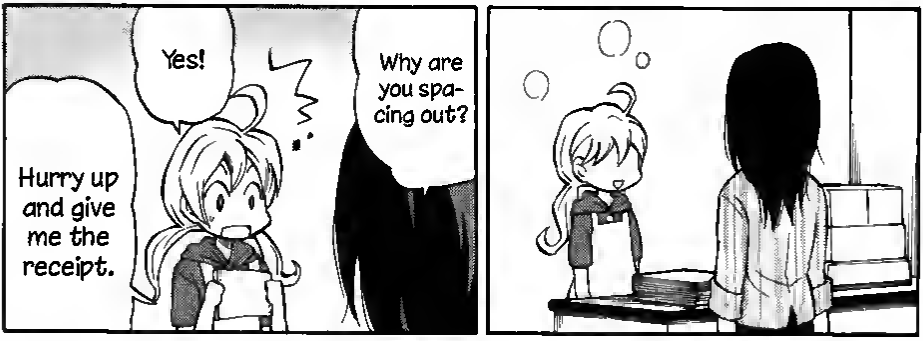
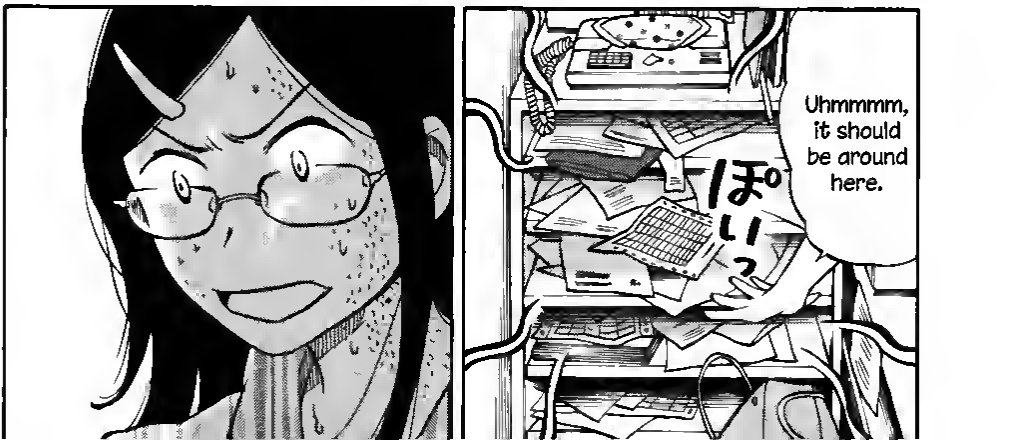
Check this out Satomi, it's a human head pencil sharpener.
Jeez!
You showed this to me how many times yesterday!?
You're bothering me, go somewhere else!


At around 5 PM,
ПОДД
Showing something like this to his daughter with a big grin on his face...
He truly doesn't have a shred of integrity.
Eh, why?
Don't show that thing in the store!
It seems like he's taking a break from his games today, so he's come to bother me.
It's disgusting!


Oomura-san came for a delivery.
Sorry, can you give me a hand?
HB and B pencils, 2 dozens each
15 A5 paper notebooks
Here are the details.


Why are you spacing out?
Yes!
Hurry up and give me the receipt.


Uhmmmm, it should be around here.
ぽいっ

ビクッ
WHAT IS THIS PILE OF JUNK!?
Why are all of your documents in a pile?
W-we have so little customers I figured I could just do it all in one go next March.
March!! That's way too late!!
ギッ
This shelf is all over the place.
I...I was thinking I could do it tomorr...
DO IT RIGHT NOW!!
By the way, where's your father?
ドクノ ちゃん
Ah, she's so scary.
Hurry up and go away, Dyson.
↑enemy's name
You can't just sweep the dust to one side.
This is filthy.
ドクノ ちゃん

Ah... thank you for your efforts.
ガラッ
You make your elementary school daughter work so you can waste away browsing the internet?
* There's no way it's like that
You can call me anytime if you need something, okay?
Yes.
GYAAAA
KNOW SOME SHAME YOU DEADBEAT PARASITE.
It seems like dad is having a hard time dealing with Oomura-san.

MAGNET
Hmmm,
that guy huh...
Ah, yeah. They don't sell at all though.
The products on this shelf, was your dad the one who stocked them?
?

* Doesn't seem to know these things very well

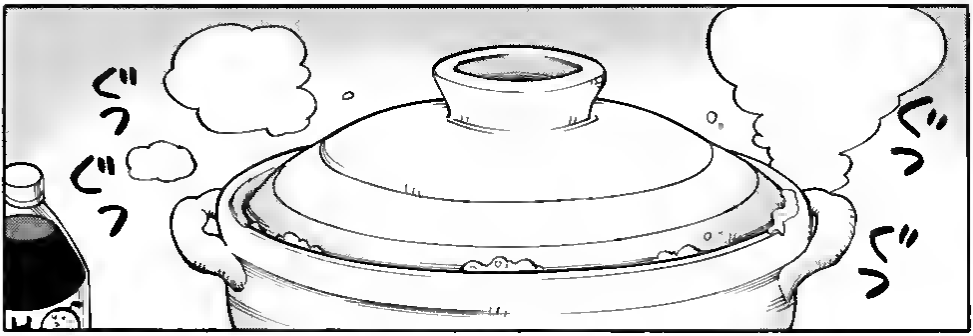
So what have you come to buy today?
I can't understand it very well, but recently...
...I've been finding it very hard to look him in the eye.
I....
can't seem to deal with him very well either.
Ah, that's not why I'm here today.
Sacchan,
do you like crabs?
I tried entering the New Year postcard lottery a little while ago.
EEHHH
Whatever, it's not a winner anyway
I won second place! 3kg of Red King Crab.

.....For a moment
The "You can eat and eat but there's still more" type?
The big red type?
Do you have crabs at your house Sacchan?
I can't eat it all myself.
くる
ピンポ
Yes.
I wondered if he also gave her some of the crabs.
But more than that, I really love crabs.
Then wait until tomorrow.

Who's there?
Ah, it's Nishihori.
I'm opening the door.
Coming!
I won them at the New Year's lottery.
Wow, amazing!
Red King crab? Such lux-ury!!!
These are great!
WAHHH. AMAZING!
What are these for?
Did you send some to your parents?

Amazing! What a haul!
And there's still this much left?
...Yeah...
Sorry, were you about to take a bath?
Ah, yeah. But it's fine, I just got out.

I can't eat all these crabs by myself,
so if it's fine,
then maybe we can have a hotpot together...
Yes!
Uhm, hey...
Nothing at all, nothing at all!!
C-calm down. There's nothing to feel guilty about.
This apartment gathers up moisture real quick.
Seems like tons of fun, a hotpot with everyone!
Hotpot is fun even in summer
We'll bring them to Sacchan's place right?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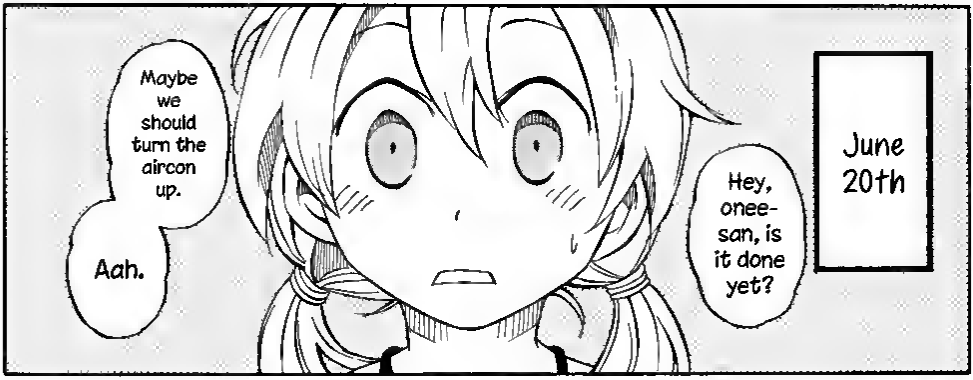
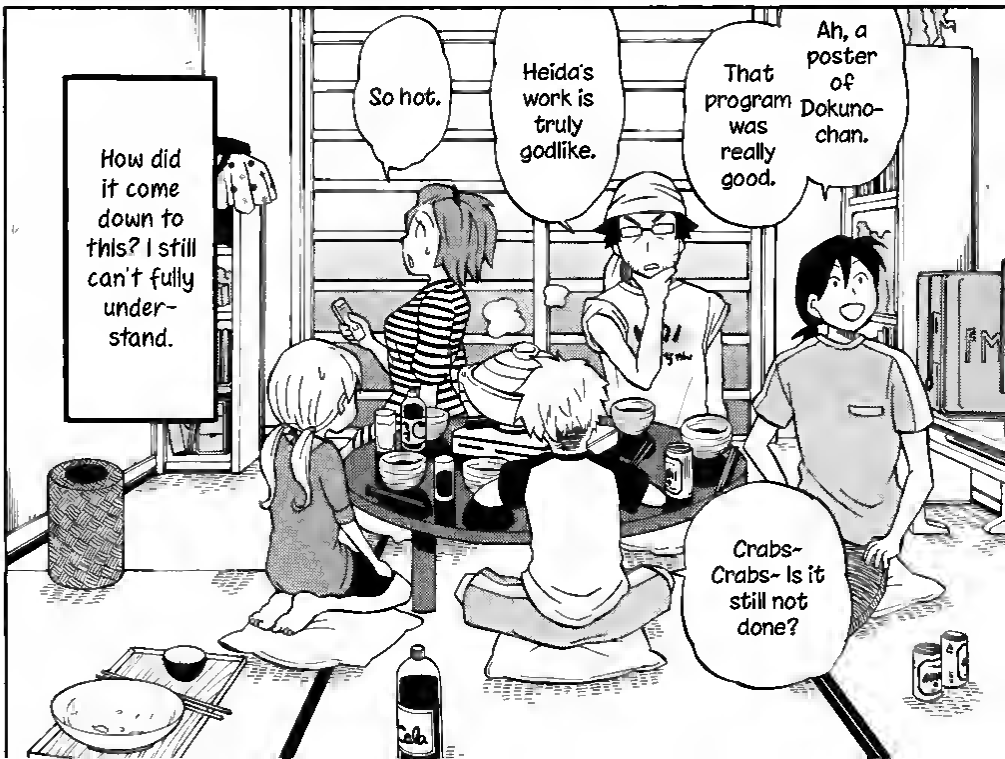
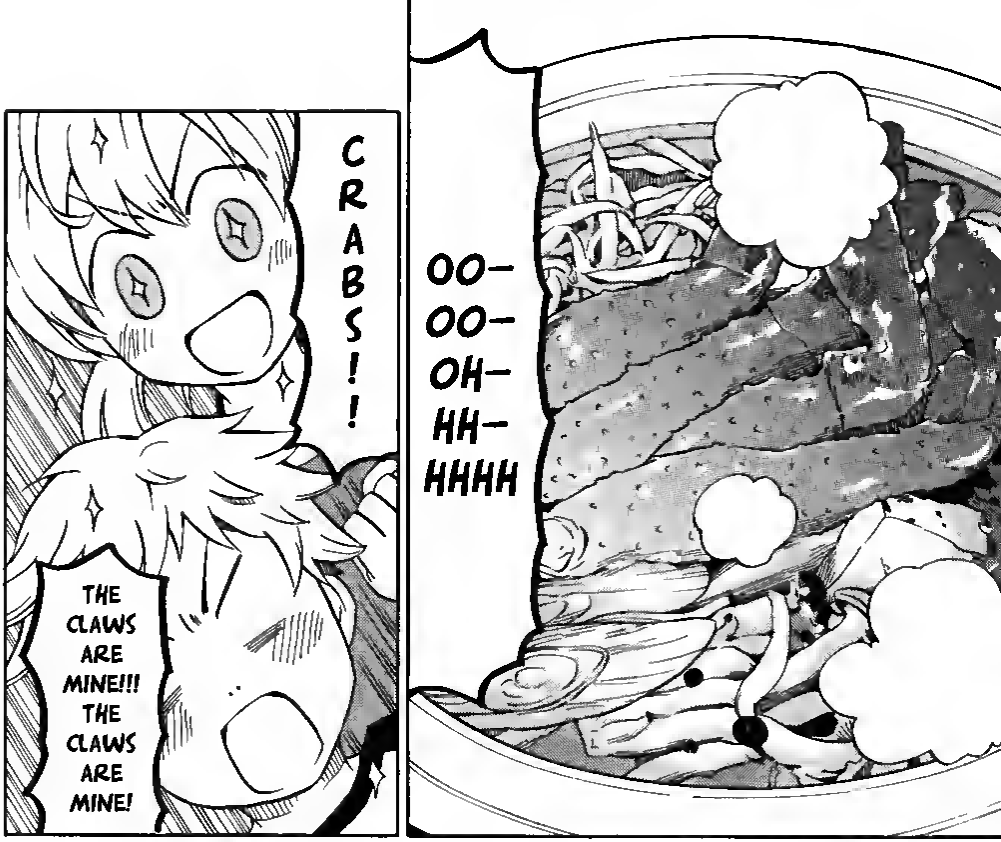
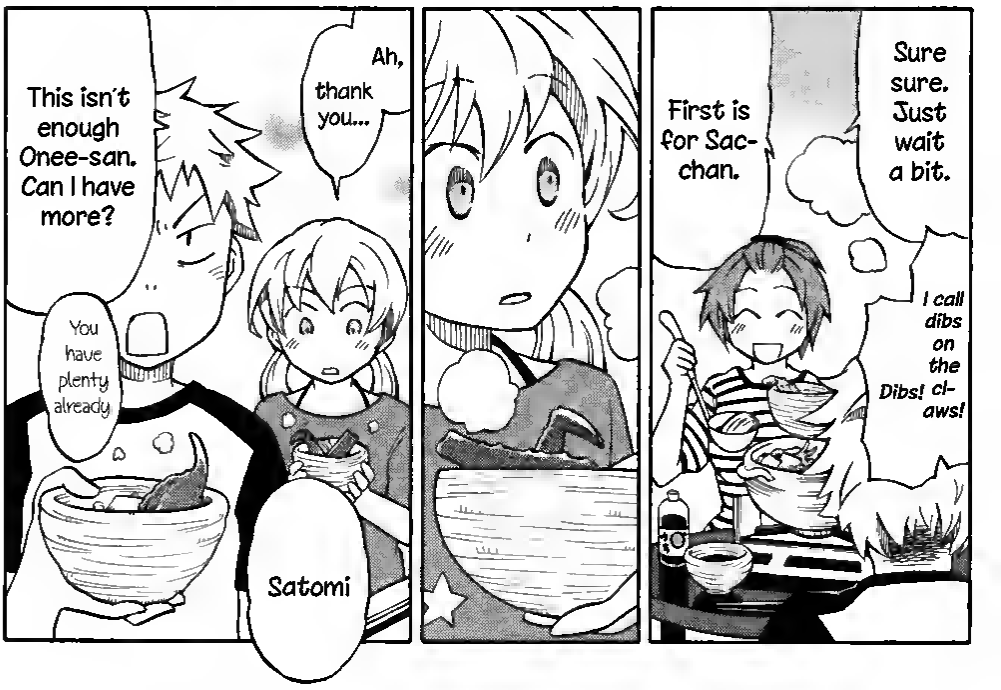

June 20th
Hey, onee-san, is it done yet?
Aah.
Maybe we should turn the aircon up.


How did it come down to this? I still can't fully under-stand.
So hot.
Heida's work is truly godlike.
That program was really good.
Ah, a poster of Dokuno-chan.
Crabs~ Crabs~ Is it still not done?

Is the crab done?
I think the crab is done
I don't want the carrots, you can have them
at our dining table.
Our customers, sitting down with us,
Dad,
why are you crying?
Because-
I'm so happy...
10 years without a family meal together.
Dad!
Uncle!
WE'LL DO THIS AGAIN OKAY! WE'LL DEFINITELY DO THIS AGAIN!
This looks like it's just about ready♥
I-b-e-a-m-e-a-R-r-a-j-u
Oh, so you have a Twitter account?

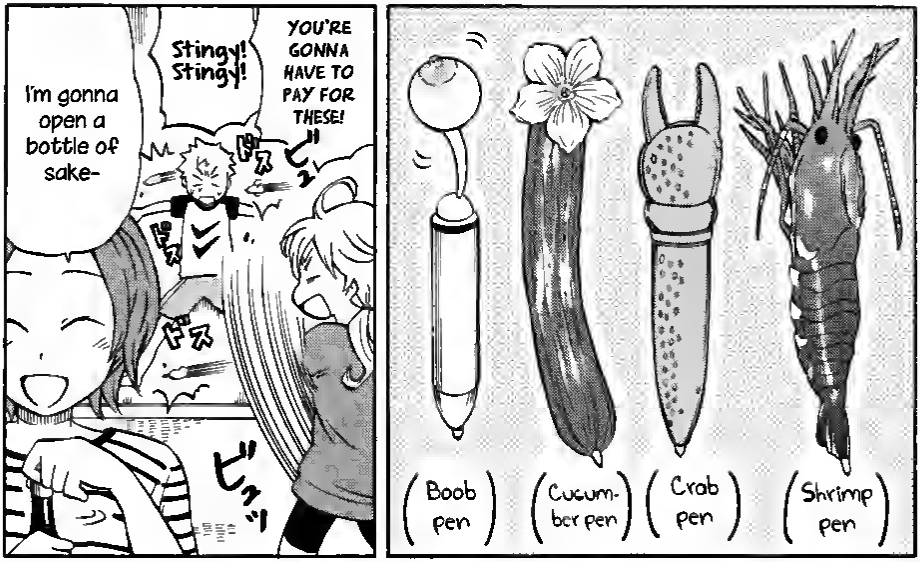

CRABS!!
THE CLAWS ARE MINE!!! THE CLAWS ARE MINE!
OO- OO- OH- HH- HHHH


Ah, thank you...
This isn't enough Onee-san. Can I have more?
You have plenty already
Satomi
First is for Sac-chan.
Sure sure. Just wait a bit.
I call dibs on the Dibs! cl- aws!

*hiriaju(shut-in with no friends) the opposite of riaju

ひょい
Do it yourself you lazy bum*
Can you take the meat out for me?
Be sure to take out the tendons
ぷるん…
ピキ…
I'm sorry for this, Yamano-san.
It's fine.
But besides that,
I used to do this all the time for my brothers back home.
Here.
おー!

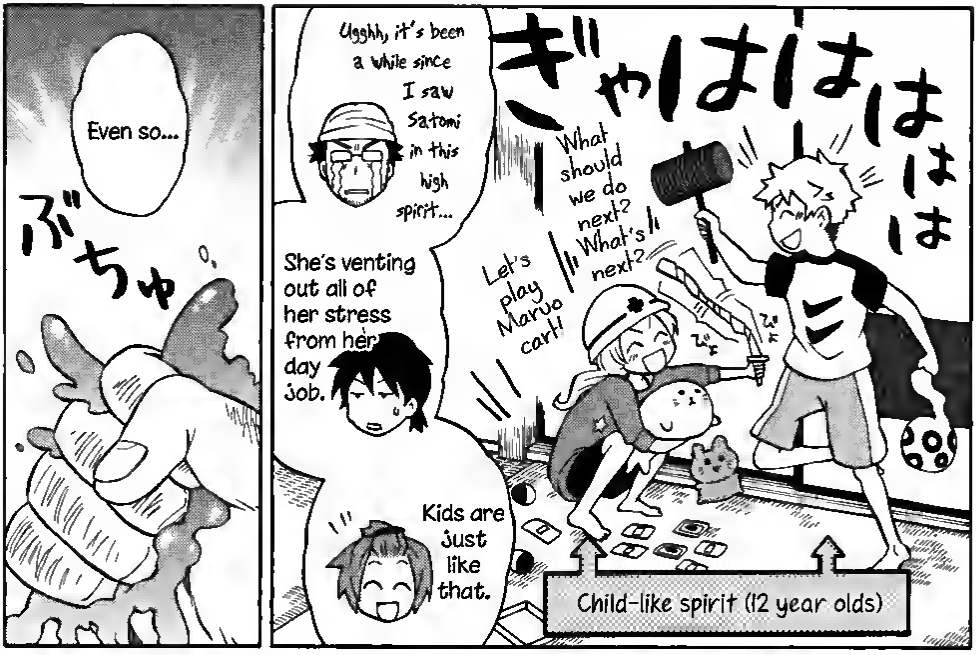
Yamano-
Meiko-
san is a
wonderful
person
(3rd year
college this
spring)
Cute,
cheerful
and a bit
pushy.
please call
me Meiko,
Sacchan.
When I
see her,
I feel
really
happy.
ガシャッ
but
there's
also
this
compli-
cated
feeling.
Crab ball-
point pen
Wait,
isn't this
is one of
our pro-
ducts!?
Ah,
those
crabs
are
mine!!

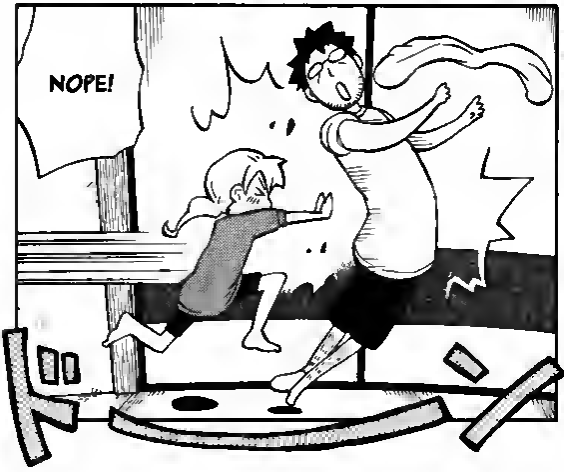

I'm gonna open a bottle of sake-
Stingy! Stingy!
YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO PAY FOR THESE!
ビュ
ドス
ドス
ドス
ビッッ
(Boob pen)
(Cucumber pen)
(Crab pen)
(Shrimp pen)

涙庵
おいし

He probably won't tell us.....
Then where's her mother now?
She's always had a good relationship with her mother.
Ah, she's a prefect copy of her mother though.
You two really aren't much alike, huh?
Eh?
Look
But they are alike, Shinya-san
ハハ
ハハ

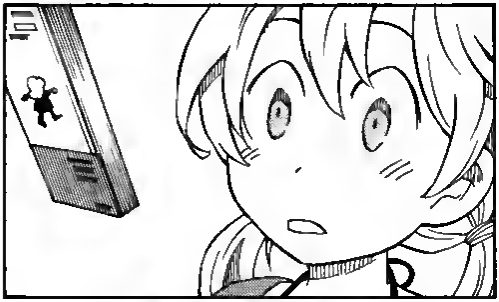
Ah...
it's the way they cross their chopsticks.
Satomi's
What's with you two?
Gross, old man. You just ate my slime bomb!
He ate it! He ate it!
Kyahhahahahah


Even so...
ぶちゃ
Ugghh, it's been a while since I saw Satomi in this high spirit...
She's venting out all of her stress from her day job.
Kids are just like that.
ぎゃはは
What should we do next? What's next?
Let's play Maruo cart!
Child-like spirit (12 year olds)


NOPE!
ドロ

I WON'T BEAR THE SHAME OF GETTING SLIME TO THE FACE!
ゆ
SATOMI! BAD KIDS WILL GET PUNISHED!
らあ

What is THAT?
Onee-son, ono-ther bowl
Right, time for some rice gruel.
Pushing your own parent huh? Right, I'll have to use THAT.
ゴソ
ゴソ
Stop! Don't take THAT out!
They'll start questio-ning our inte-grity!
Sacchan, what is THAT?
Ah!
It's nothing. Just a silly pencil sharpener!
ひょい
That's fine then? Just a silly pencil sharpener.
Nooooo
You can't let him see that!



*probably a parody of 2002's "Power of love" drama series

He drew this picture...
Uwaaa, what is this pencil sharpener!?
Fufufu, let me enlighten you on how to use this.

1. Stab the eyehole with a pencil.
2. Turn it.
3. The shavings will come out of its mouth.
Let's try using a red crayon...
Or maybe a blue crayon...
WHO THE HELL WOULD USE THIS!?
PLEASE DON'T COME CLOSE. YOU'RE CREEP-ING ME OUT!
Hey Sacchan,

There were many adult words I couldn't quite under-stond.
But...
In all honesty,
when I read Shinya-kun's manga,
When I sow the pictures Shinya-kun drew,
somehow, I couldn't turn to look at him.
Hey,
Is it good?
"What foce should I make when I see him?"
I didn't know.

Thank you.
So I just kept staring at the same page over and over...
Thanks for today.
It was nothing. The crabs were delicious.
See you at school.
Yeah.
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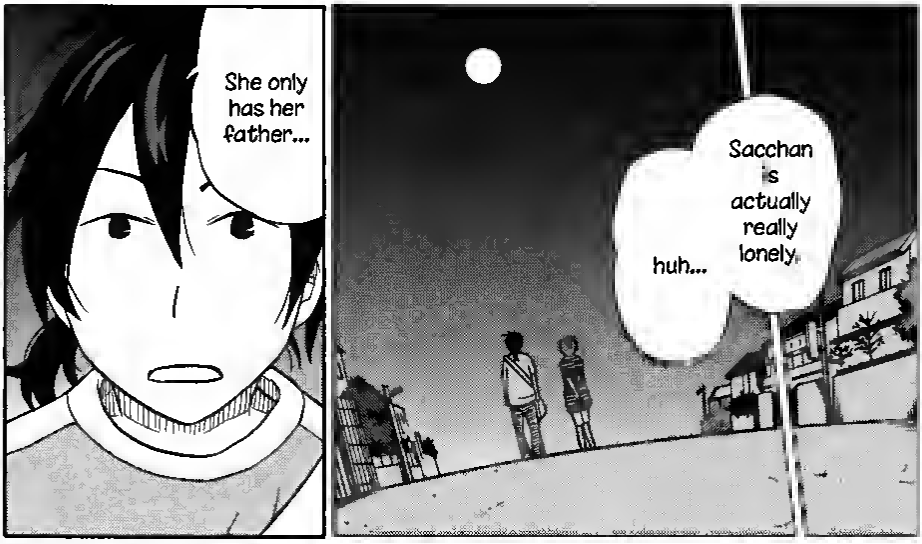
Let's play together again!


She only has her father...
Sacchan is actually really lonely.
huh...

Yeah! I've decided!
Is that so, then I can-
I get that too.
We were always busy, so living alone can get lonely sometimes.
Yeah
Together...
and play accasia-nally!
Let's all get to-gether
did you have fun today?
Satomi
Aah
It's been a while since we had hotpot.
Must've been 2 years.
Dad had a lot of fun too.
Yeah.

You can't have hotpot with only two.
...let's go to bed.
Yeah.
Ah, hey,
Sure, sure
You really need to stop it with that sharpener thing!

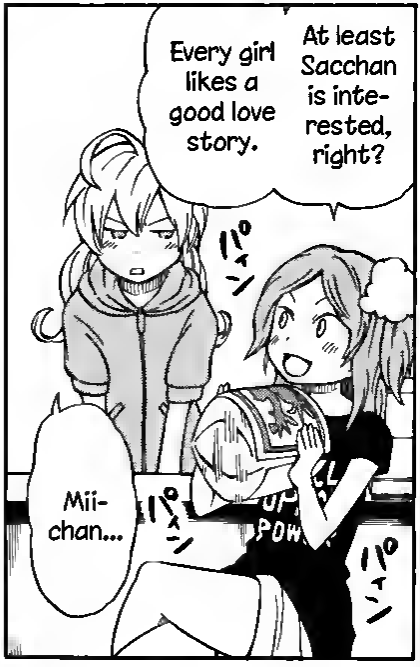
June 21st
I've read Shinya-kun's manga carefully.
Dad said:
Not enough moe.
The Early 2000's Maid Fashion Supremacy
But who cares about what he says.
There's one thing though
Way at the end of the manga,
a little girl showed up in the last 2 panels.
Is this me?
But I can't bring myself to ask... ...hm?
Wait a minute...
Hey, Satomi...

This crossed-out line, what does it say?
Hey.
I've read Shinya-kun's manga care
There's one thing, though. Way at
I can't bring myself to ask
Don't just read other people's diaries!!
That hurts!
Don't point at your parent!
Shad-dap!
You took a look at my com-puter, right?

Chapter 5: A Busy Day

Hey hey,
Yamashita from class 2 is in love with Mocchii from our class,
have you heard?

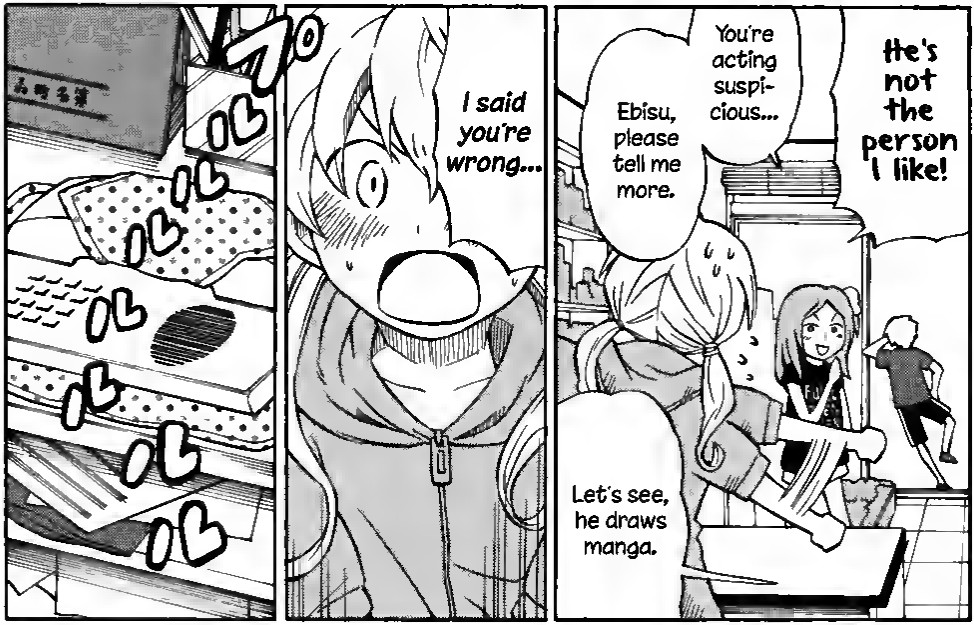
And then,
there was a fireworks show the other day, right? Seems like he invited her.
Yeah.
Ahhhhh-


Every girl likes a good love story.
At least Sacchan is interested, right?
Mii-chan...

Keep quiet, you!
Huhhh!?
Lame~
You girls sure can go on and on about pointless stories.

It's not love, it's work.
Well, whatever, I give up. It was a love story, I was wrong, okay?
You're too hard-working.
A STATIONERY OTAKU!!
That desk pad is not in production anymore, so could you please not handle it like that?
Eh?
Don't you have anyone you love, Sacchan?
What type of person is he?
N-no I don't...
Ah, I knew it, you do have one!!
Stare...

He's thin with long hair-
HEY WA...
Long hair? An adult?
FULL OPEN


He's not the person I like!
You're acting suspicious...
Ebisu, please tell me more.
Let's see, he draws manga.
I said you're wrong...

Hello, we're Maruto-machi Statio-nery.
Ah, yes.
Yes.
FULL POWER OPEN
4B pencils, 10 dozens.
Toki-sama
4B x10
Yes!

Daaaa-aad
Can you watch the counter?
I should head home soon too.
I have to make a delivery.
ガチャ
Ugh, don't mind me...
What's wrong Sacchan?
You look distressed.
ウリャヨイ
ウリャヨイ
ウリャヨイ
ウリャヨイ

*ore-sama

Eh?
Ugh, I have to close the shop.
Guess it can't be helped. Let me-sama watch the shop for you.
カシャ カシャン
Come back right away, okay?
...Thank you.
Then I'll be off!
Is that alright?
But...
I'll just have to do chores if I head home anyway.
I said it's fine. Just go.
I'll be back real quick!
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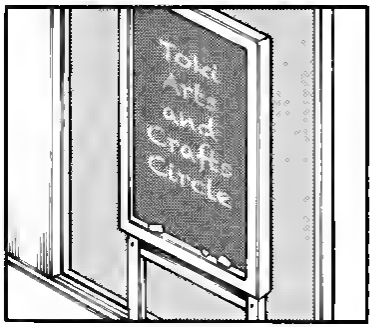
Huh?
Oh, I get it.

She hid her snacks here, right?
Is she gone?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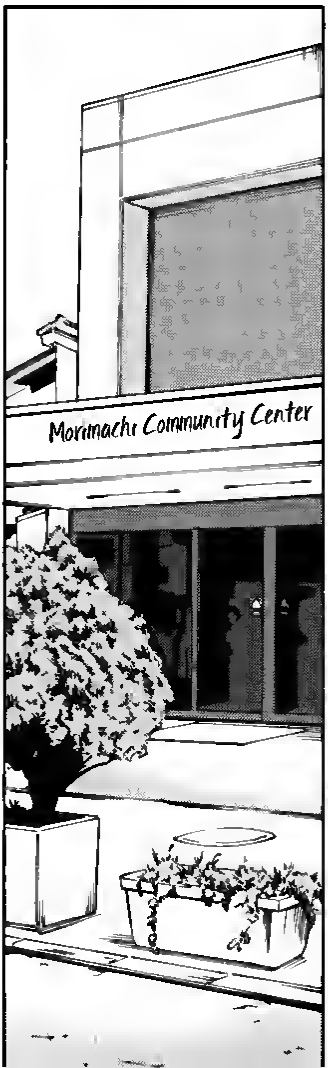
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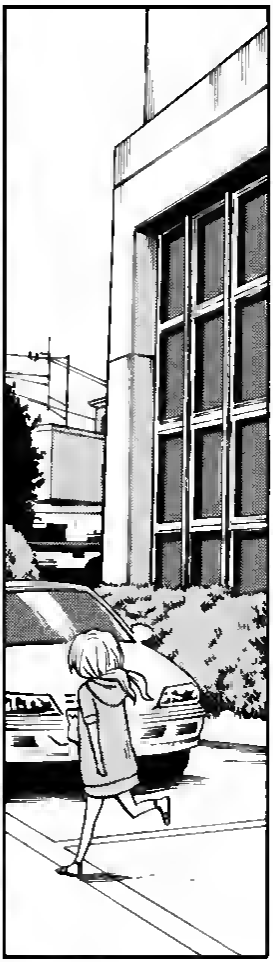
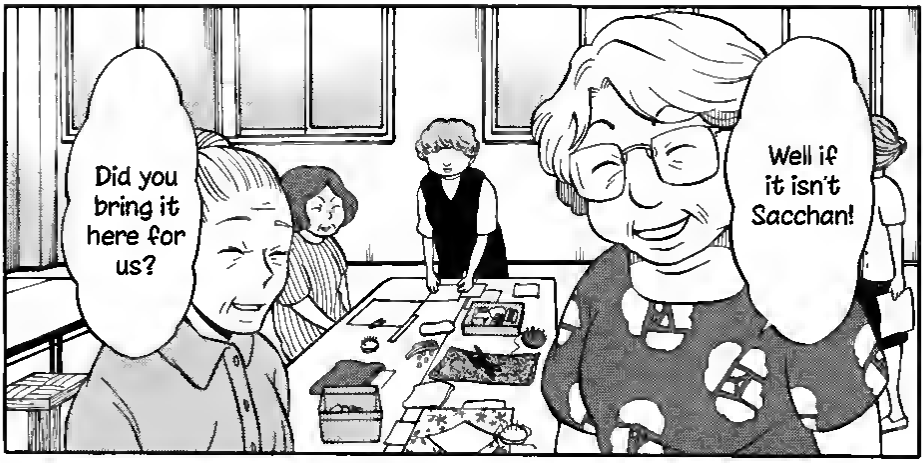
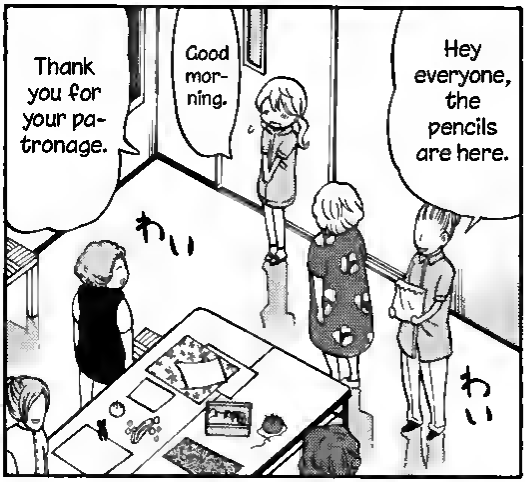


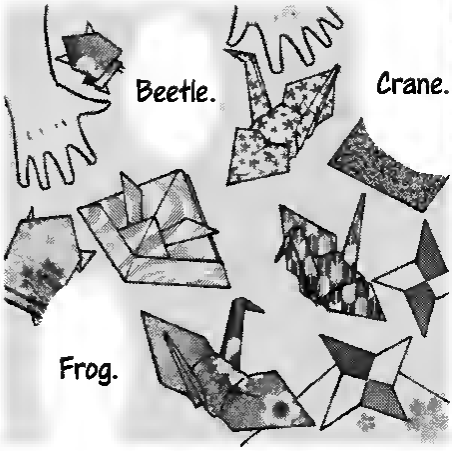
Good morning-
I brought your order.

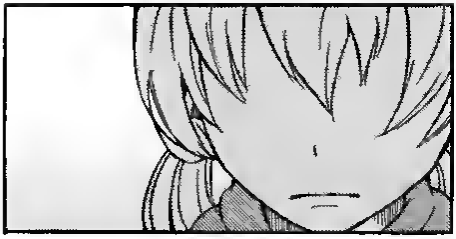




The pattern kinda looks like something a crook would use

Hey, Sac-chan,
can I ask for a favor?
?
We're done with the pouches,
so we've decided to do origami next.
But normal origami paper is kind of childish,
and we don't have the budget either.
If you come across any cheap decorative paper, can you buy me about 500 sheets?
Ah, you don't really have to rush.
Decorative paper?
We can still continue with the pouches.
Next month is fine. You can take your time to find nice ones.
I'll be looking forward to it.
Counting on you~
Ah, don't run like that, it's dangerous!


Beetle.
Crane.
Frog.



We don't stock those.
Origami paper?
Hmm...

We only carry office supplies, so we probably don't have something like that.

Well...
...not anymore.

You should hurry up and head back to the store.
When I have time I'll introduce you to someone, but don't get your hopes up.
Sorry.
Is that so?
...no customers at all.
ぼけ～
Wow, there really are...
.....

ちらっ
ちらっ
ちらっ
カチカチカチ
Hey old lady, what'cha doin'?
ガラッ
!!
Eh?
You're...
not from this house are you?

Old lady, do you have business here?
I'm not an "old lady", just a lady!
I'm filling in as manager.
Oh, so that's what it is.
Eh?
Nope.
Seems like they haven't stocked those in a long time.
That's right.
You have some really nice decorative paper here, right?
Eh?
Uhm... yeah.
I'm thinking about it.
She's such a bother...
...lady, do you want to buy anything?

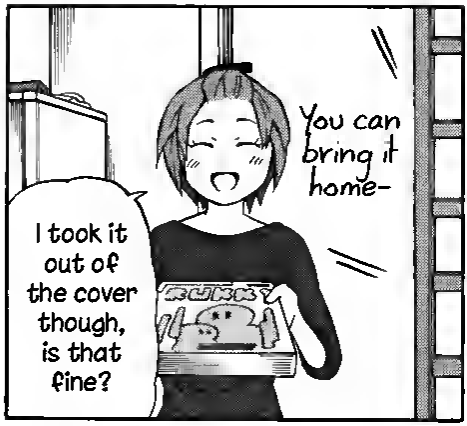
Then, Sa...
This place's kid, when is she coming back?
?
Is that so...
.....
Beats me, it's been an hour.
So...
"Do you have enough screen-tones?"
No,
"You always seem to run low on them so I was wondering if you were fine."
What the hell is she doing?

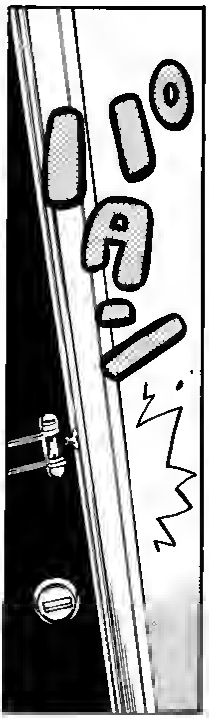
しおしお
"I've come to take your order"
Right!
I mean, it'd be bad if his supply ran low at the last minute again.
It's not weird, right?
KYA— AAA— AAA
?
WHAT
IS THIS MESS!?

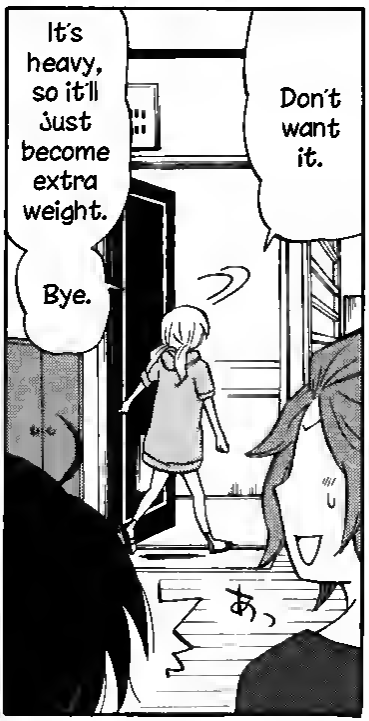
Eh
How many days is this going to take?
I just got sleepy whenever I tried to clean it up.
JUST LOOK AT THIS!
It's before a deadline...
You might catch a disease if you keep staying in a room like this!
Under-stand!?
Yes...
There are things I don't want you to see!!
You don't have to do that!!
What's wrong?
D-don't!
That's no good!!

Suddenly barging into...
...another person's life...
Jeez...
Kya...how long has it been since you last did your dishes?
The soap... where's the soap!?
I can't believe this!
You always do such unexpected things.
Eh? What are you talking about?
Something good.
What's that?
Fufufu

I could hear everything from outside.
Uhm, hey.
I haven't read anything beforehand...
Ah...
Sorry, I still haven't taken any reference photographs.
I came to take your order.
Sac-chan!!
Why are you here?
?
Ah, wait up, Sacchan.
Sorry.
Understood. Then I'll be off.







*he mistakenly heard omoi shi ("it's heavy") for omoshiroi ("interesting")

I'M HOME!!
Sorry. Were there any customers?
You're late. It's already 6pm!
Eh!? Really?
It's still bright outside, I didn't notice at all.
Ah, there was someone.
A woman came.
She asked for decorative paper, but you don't have any, right?

Amazing, Mom!
Decorative paper
A woman...
She was a weird ol... a lady.
"Again"?
Decorative paper again? Was she an old lady?
Amazing. I want to fold something too. Can you teach me?
Okay, then mommy will show you how it's done.
Hey Mom, hey!
Can you fold a parrot?
Of course!
Right?
Amazing, so pretty!
Don't play with the products!!
HEY!

I'll head home then.
Ah!
Yeah, thank yo-
What is this mess!?
Satomi?
Don't tell me...
"A weird lady"
"She asked for 'decorative paper'"
Ahhh, I forgot to give Ayano Kouji-san her receipt...
!

You're pretty weak for a kid.
I was really busy today...
AAh-hah-hhhh.
Ithurts ithurts ithurts
Haa...
What's that supposed to mean?
That's good. You're fortunate to be busy. All riaju should die.
Hey Dad.
You know,
.....
today...

.....
ぎりっ
Hmmm.
Someone
asked for decorative paper.
OUCH!
What are you, a child? Wahahahaha.
That's enough, let go!

Famly mart
Won't you get up and do some-thing?
What an eyesore.
Shaddap
How much longer are you going to sleep? Wake u....
What about the store?

Why?
Please say some-thing!
...p...
No customer is gonna come you know.
ギーゅ...
And it's your fault.

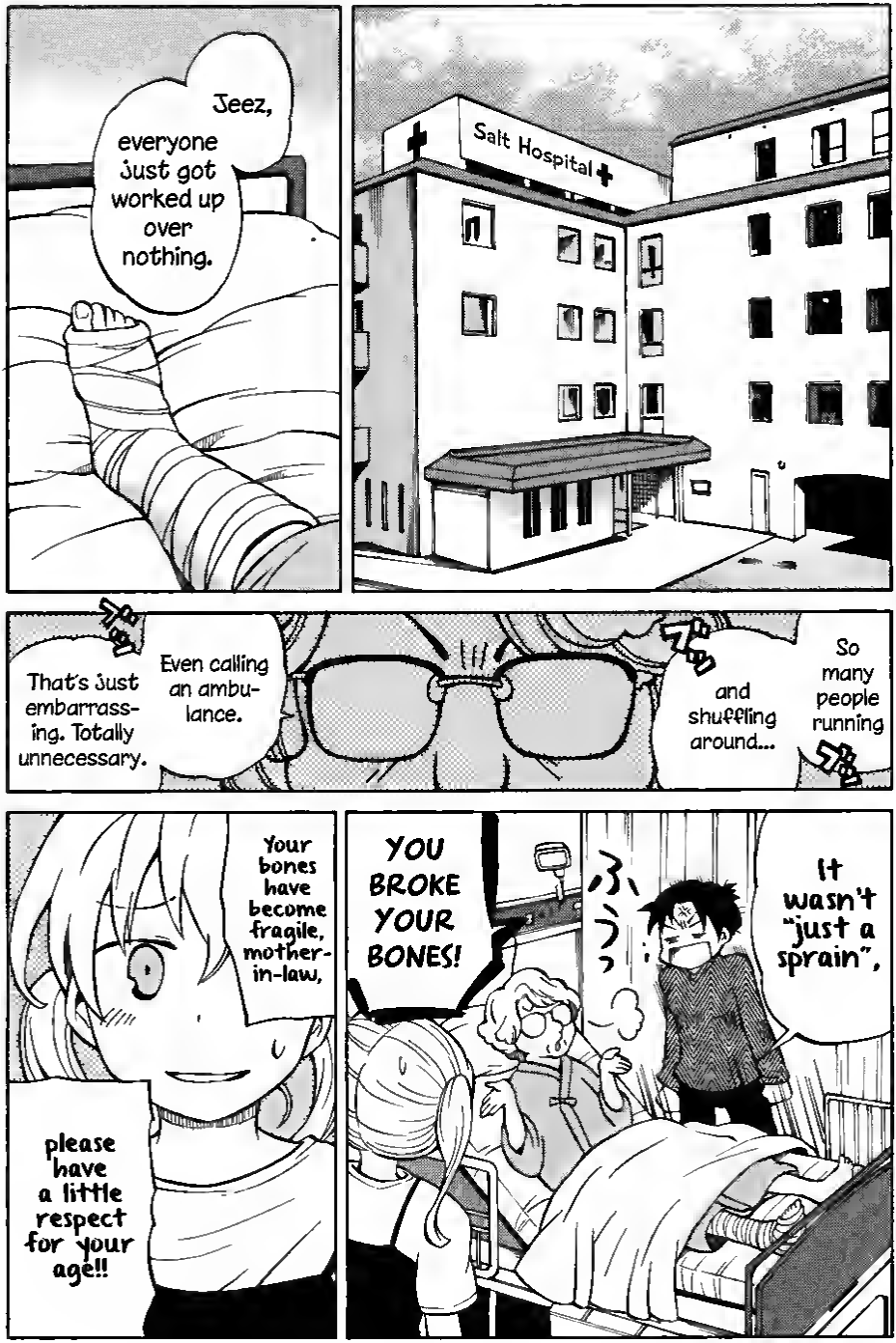
ぱっ
Then I guess
you'll be fine without me.
ピーポーピーポーピーポー
A dream?
ピーポーピー
ポーピーポーピー
ピーポーピーポーピーポー

AT THE BACK!
AN AM-BULANCE JUST STOPPED BY.
DAD!
The road is straight from here
We'll be off
Who's that?
Please let go.
CHATTER
CHATTER
MOTHER!
CHATTER

ピーポーピーポー
Ayano Koují-san!
Let's go in-side.
We can't do any-thing anymore.
I wonder what happen-ed...
She was healthy just now.

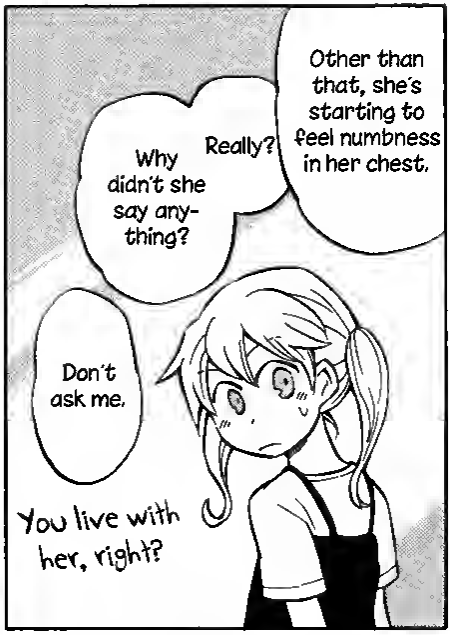
Today
can I sleep here?
What's wrong, Satomi?
I'm so tired, but I still can't sleep...

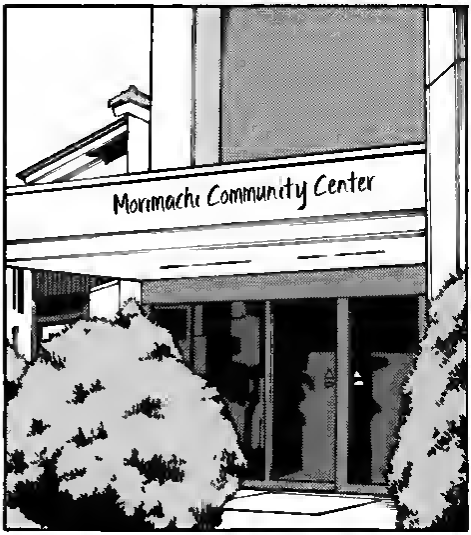
MILLY


Jeez, everyone just got worked up over nothing.
Salt Hospital
That's just embarrassing. Totally unnecessary.
Even calling an ambulance.
and shuffling around...
So many people running
Your bones have become fragile, mother-in-law,
please have a little respect for your age!!
YOU BROKE YOUR BONES!
ふうっ
It wasn't "just a sprain",

Well,
I'll get out of this tedious place...
...first thing tomorrow!
Are you really okay?
Of course.
Bringing me in here just makes me look like a fool.
Jeez.
What a relief...
She looks healthy for now.
How long is she gonna be in here, nii-san?
About half a month or so, for now.
For now? What do you mean? Isn't it just a fracture?
Seems like Grandma has weak bones.

Heey, papa!!
Well, we can't know for sure without an inspection.
Numb-ness... could it be from her head?
I wonder if she'll go senile if she stays in a hospital for too long.
Is grandma getting admitted to the hospital?


Other than that, she's starting to feel numbness in her chest.
Really?
Why didn't she say anything?
Don't ask me.
You live with her, right?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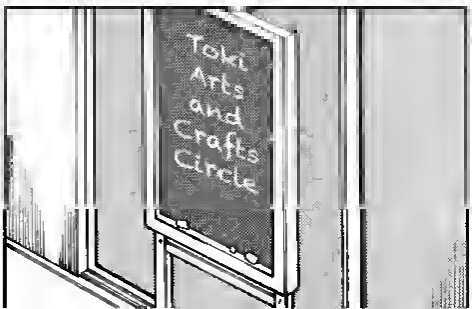
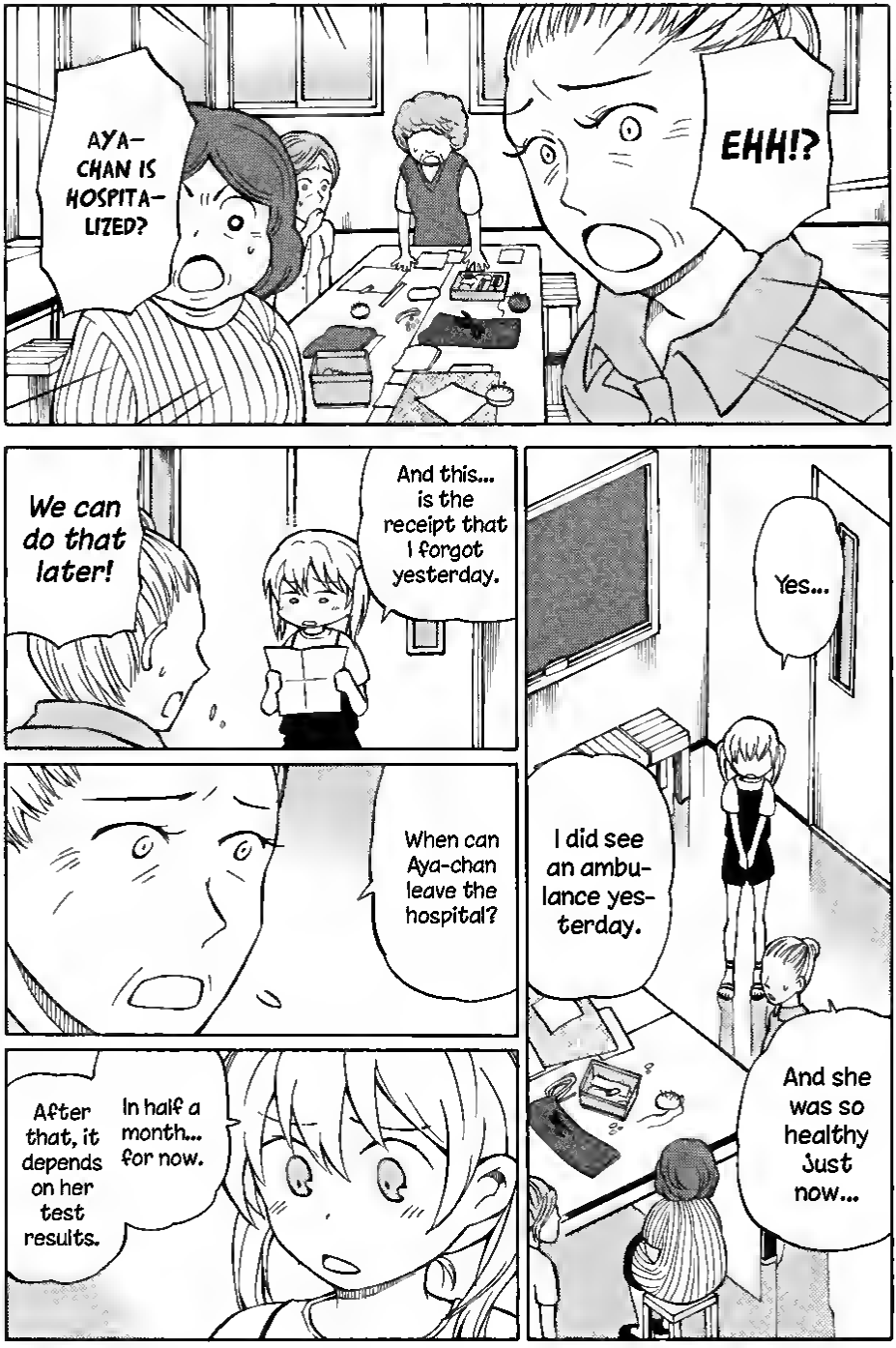

Toki Arts and Crafts Circle

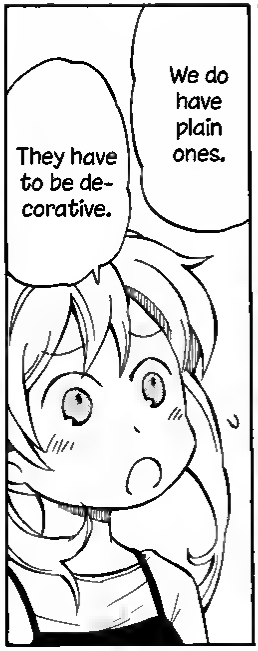
It's going to be hard for her bone to recover
once she's broken it once at this age.


AYA-CHAN IS HOSPITALIZED?
EHH!?
We can do that later!
And this... is the receipt that I forgot yesterday.
When can Aya-chan leave the hospital?
In half a month... for now.
After that, it depends on her test results.
I did see an ambulance yesterday.
Yes...
And she was so healthy just now...

And she was so healthy too, so scary...
ざわ
My hips are starting to hurt lately too.
I should go see a doctor soon.
I didn't pick up on anything.
ざわ
Maybe she wasn't healthy from the start.
De-pends on her test re-sults...
ざわ
I'll be looking forward to it.
You can take your time to find nice ones.
How many days are you guys planning to meet up next week?
E-
Every-one,

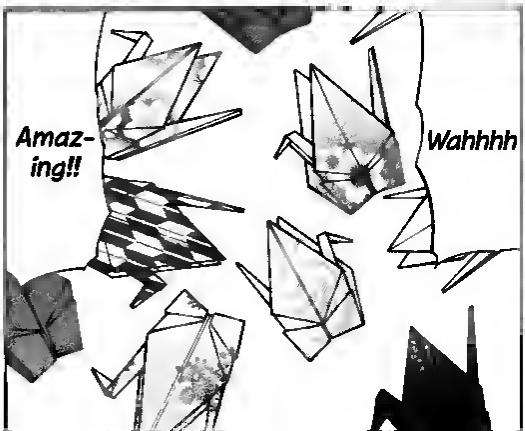
What should I do? I have to leave soon...
ただっ
She's out today too...
Hmmm...

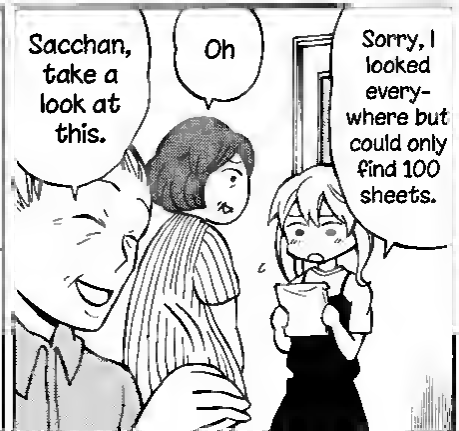
100 sheets in total...
KIKUIA


We do have plain ones.
They have to be decorative.

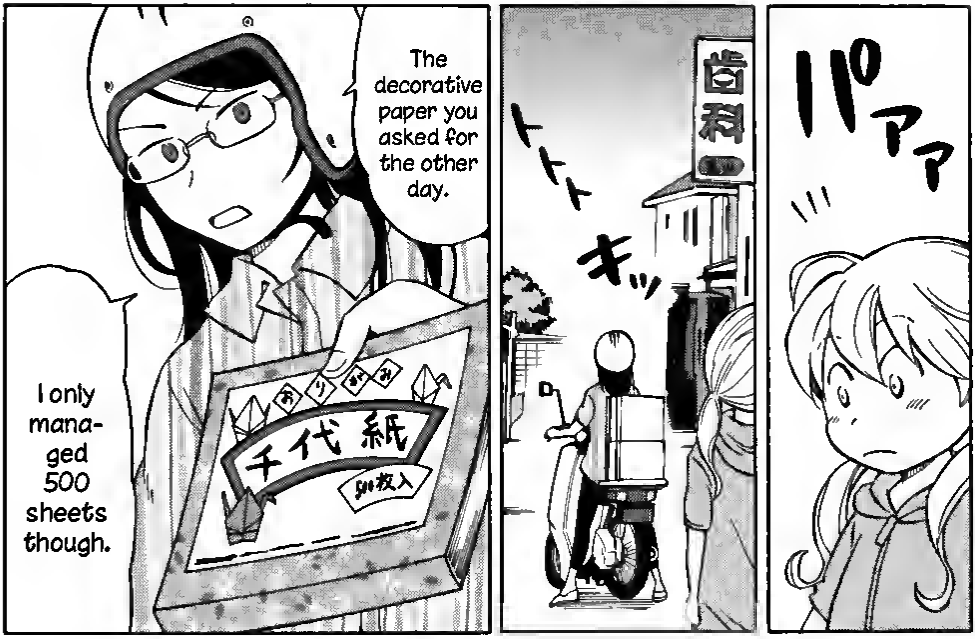
Our shipment is a little late, so we only have these left.
Oh, really?
Sorry.

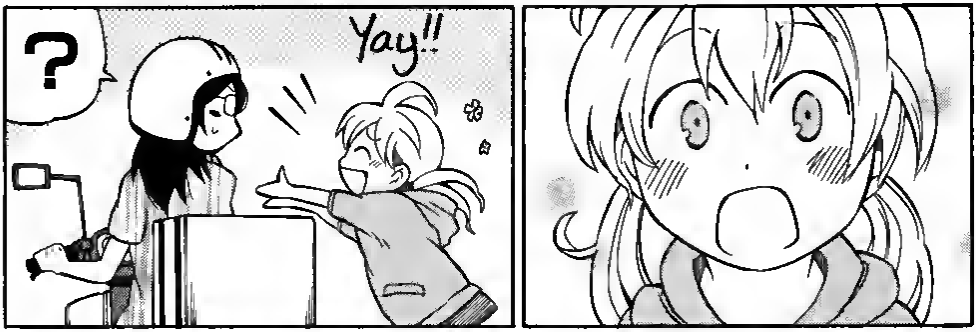
Welcome back, Sacchan.
Did they have any?


Wahhhh
Amaz-ing!!


Sorry, I looked every-where but could only find 100 sheets.
Oh
Sacchan, take a look at this.

It'd be nice if we could be done in a day,
but we don't have the paper, so I guess that's it for today.
Don't underestimate the elderly.
150 in an hour!?
We folded everything we gathered.
Got it!
I'll try to look for some more tomorrow.
CASHIER


The decorative paper you asked for the other day.
I only managed 500 sheets though.
おりがみ
千代紙
50枚入
歯科
トトト
キッ
パアア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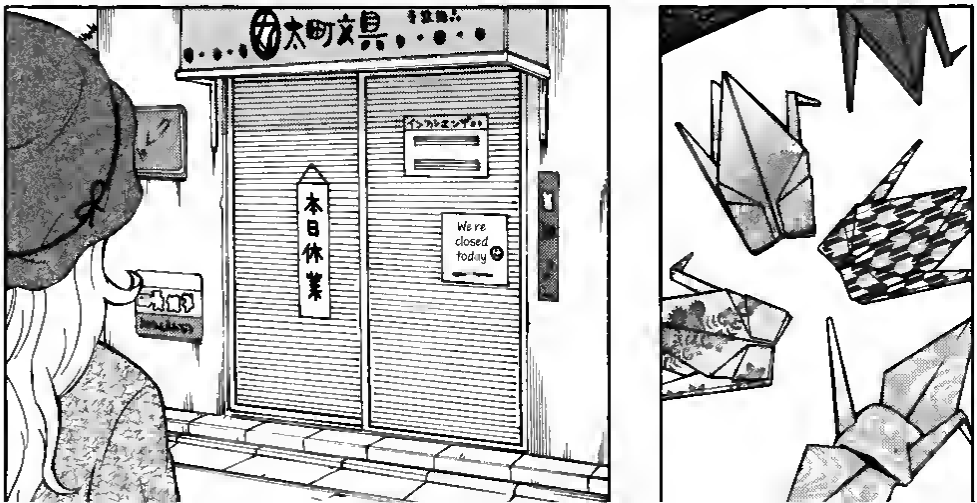
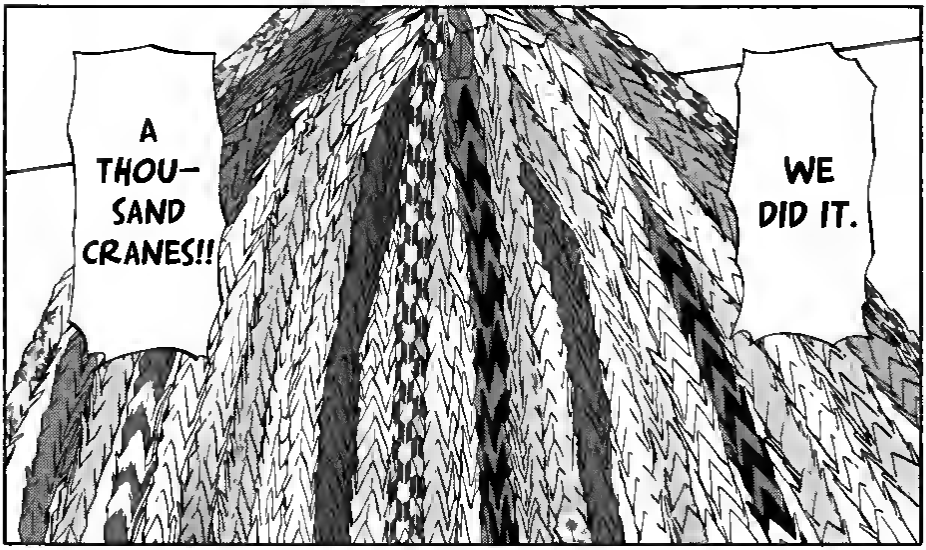
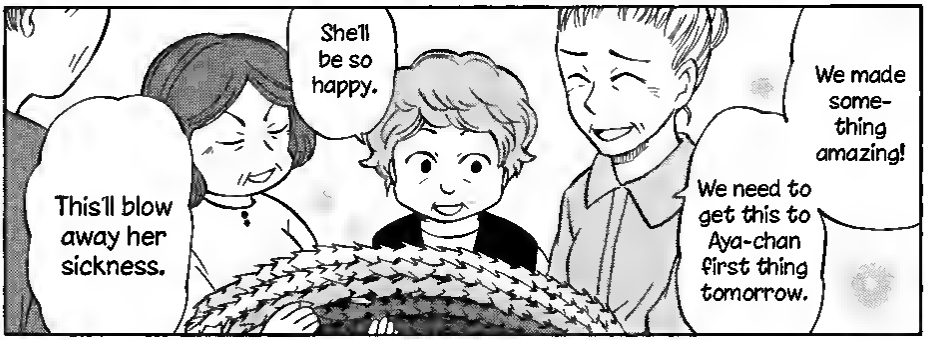
Yay!!


太町文具
本日休業
We're closed today

Ring Ring
は！…
Hey old lady, you were here before.
It's just a coincidence.
I'm not an old lady
Your lying sucks. You seem suspicious.
T-that's just rude.
What do you want with them?
Hey, you want some ice-cream?
……
I do.


A THOU-SAND CRANES!!
WE DID IT.


She'll be so happy.
We made some-thing amazing!
This'll blow away her sickness.
We need to get this to Aya-chan first thing tomorrow.

Speaking of which, this deco-rative paper,
didn't your place use to sell them?
Thank you Sacchan.
We couldn't have done this without your help.

Sure!
With this paper, it'll still look good even if you're bad at it.
It's been a while since we did origami. I'd love to fold other things as well.
うふふふ
Please stock some more. We'll buy them.
Are you the cleaner's kid?
ガサ
Can't you tell from my bike?
You're not cute at all.
Is the ice-cream good?
It's okay.
ドキ
Old lady, I have a feeling I've seen you somewhere before.

Right now? Are you a bar hostess?
Of course not.
Yeah, you're too old for that.
Ah, onee-san has to go to work now
Where was it... Feels like I see all the time...
Later!
That's a secret♥.
I treated you to ice cream right?
Ah, I'll be late if I keep dabbling about.
Hey, old lady, who are you?
It is now 5 o'clock, let's head home now, good children
What the heck...

Satomi
Ah, Ebisu-kun!
Aahhh!
FIRE
What's with that creepy smile?
Thank you for your delivery!
Are you Arale-chan?
I only remembered when I took a closer look.
Sorry I didn't realize it earlier.
Eh?
She treated me to some ice cream.
The old lady from the other day came again.

*Arale is the protagonist of the Dr. Slump manga series, created by Akira Toriyama

That person, where did she go?
Eh?
Hm, she went towards the bus stop.
FIRE
She is... your mom right?
Wah
Thank you!!
TEL

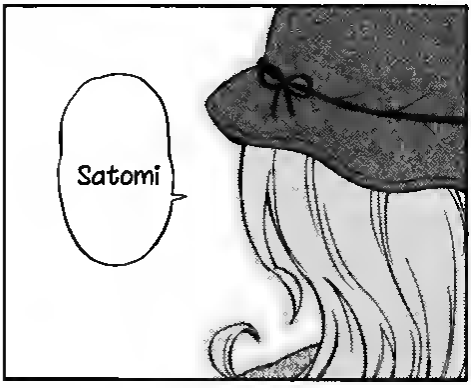
パチン
たっ
たっ
たっ
たっ
MOM!!

Sato-mi...!!
M...
Mom...
ギュ
ウ
ウ
IT'S BEEN A WHILE♥
GYAAAAAAA

So have you?
I haven't!!
You've become so big!
Have you had your first period?
HOT... HURTS... STOP...
夜霞台行
Stop! That's embarrassing!
まあ…
H-
hey, Mom...
Work related business.
Three stops away.
Wh-
Why are you here?

Ah...

ブロロロ...
Ah,
that's my bus.


Satomi

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I can't.

Do you want...
...to come with me?

That's why
I found a new wholesaler.
I mean, I just replaced the shop's billboard!
That's why...
And I got some regular customers too.
And then, right now, I'm the one running the store.
You should return home, Mom.

I'm sorry.

See you later, then!
Yeah!
アアア
ガアアア…

Ahhh, I want a copy machine.
カン
カン
カン
ガチャ
ガチャ

Ah...
What are you doing in a place like that?
Ha ha ha
Are you playing Hide and Seek?
Ahhh, that really hurt.
I said I didn't need your manga.
It's already 8
I'm sorry about the other day.
.....
Oh, that...

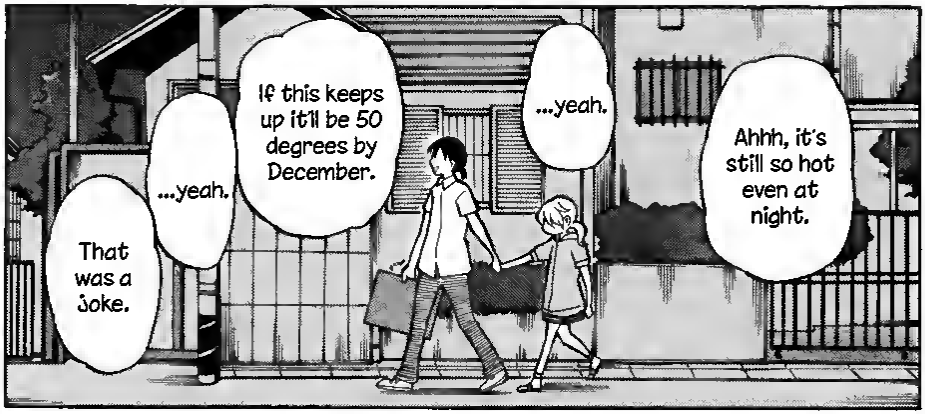
So-
sorry!!
It was a lie! It's fine.
You should read what you like to read, Sacchan.
Did you fold that crane?
.....
W...
Woo...

Eh?
So don't cry, okay?
Here, I'll fix it.
Ah, you're a sobbing mess.
Hey, check this out.
Who did you get this from?
A phone number.
090-22XX-5
Call me
There's something written in here.
Can I look inside?

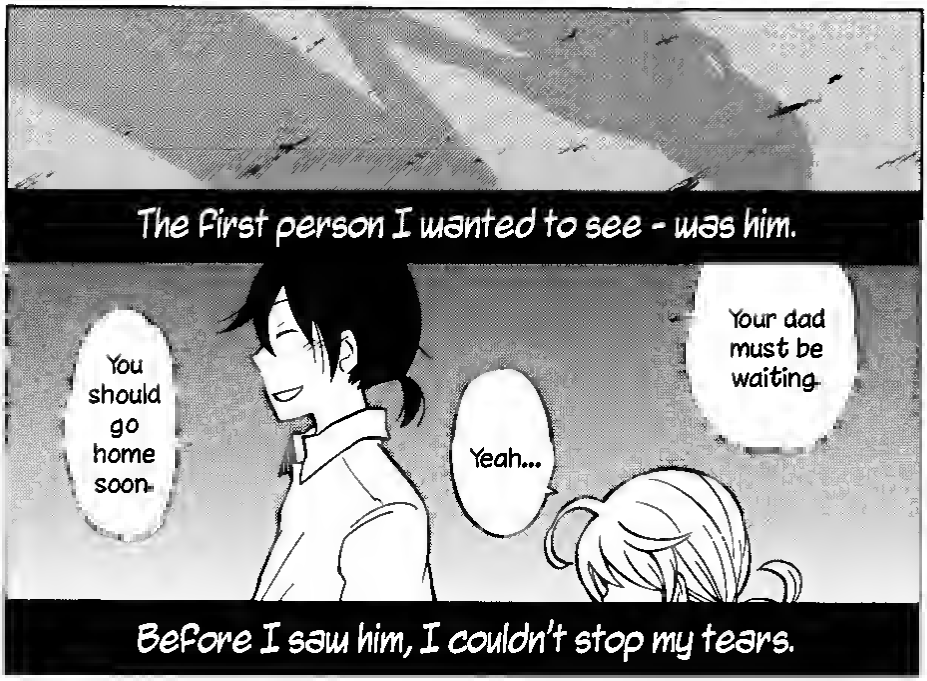
Uv...
Hey, wait...
うえっ
ボロ
ボロ
……
ボロ
Are you okay?
Hey, hey
Sniff
Wa
Waa
What's with you today?

ぽふっ
Sound-proofing, complete!
Cry as much as you want.

There there.
Ah.
Don't wipe your snot on me...
Waaaa



It wasn't Dad, nor Mom. Not Ebisu-kun, not Mi-chan, not Ayano Kouji-san.


The first person I wanted to see - was him.
Your dad must be waiting.
Yeah...
You should go home soon.
Before I saw him, I couldn't stop my tears.

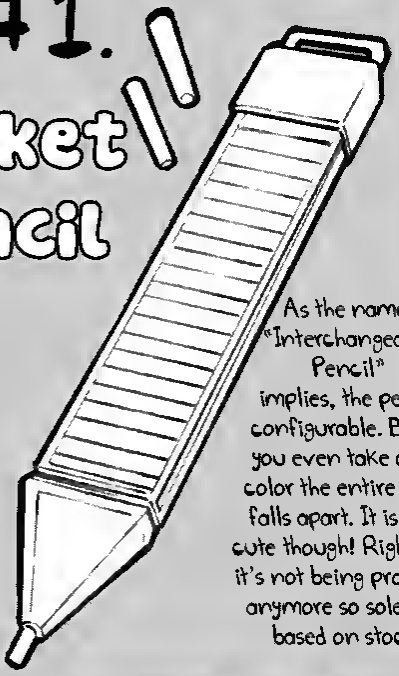
Yuuyake Rocket Pencil will continue in volume 2.

I
looooove
you

Sunset Statio-neries

These are the stationery items that were and were not introduced in volume 1

#1. Rocket pencil



As the name, "Interchangeable Pencil" implies, the pen is configurable. But if you even take out 1 color the entire thing falls apart. It is very cute though! Right now it's not being produced anymore so soles are based on stock.

#2. College notebooks

#3

The item featured in the manga is Kyouko's Campus Notebook. It's the generic type of generic types, one that everyone has seen before. It looks and feels generic.

#4. Human head pencil sharpener

This really exists. I really like the noise it makes. It was made with the playful heart of an American producer. Try it with a red crayon! Getting my hands on it was really hard.

Reality

Thank you for purcha-sing volume 1.

Hi, Asano here.

out-of-fashion pose

Appa-rently this isn't actually a "Rocket pencil".

By the way...

And this is an "Inter-change-able colored pencil"

Pale

PC

This is a "Rocket pencil"

But we really did call them that since way back!! Please forgive me.

カチ…

Let's just say that I didn't know...

5. Desk pad

11" ≠ 11"

Red, green, plain or anime designs, all kinds of these exist. If you play with them too much, they'll break.

Rocket pencil (the proper kind)

There are a lot of these inside.

You can even make a paper envelope.

6. String of cranes

You'd be surprised at how many varieties are sold at specialty shops.

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I've dreamed of becoming a mangaka ever since I was a child.

I'm glad I can be who I am right now. I'm still in disbelief.

Hey, this IS reality, right?

I'm not about to have a "It was all just a dream" ending, right?

That's all for today, see you later.

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